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FRANCISCO, Sept. 11

. Fire raged through

ild of a 171-metre Japanreighter hauling autoes today, forcing 15 of 2 crewmen to abandon ship, the U.S. Coast it said. The research ship e was nearby this mornpick up crewmen from listing freighter Blue which caught fire about kilometres southwest of rancisco. A C-130 Coast \_d airplane was circling ead, according to Petty Far Jim Edwards. Other nant vessels were on their and the Coast Guard cutorgenthau left San Franthis morning for a 28voyage to the scene, Mr. ards said. There are no rts of injuries. Mr. urds said the 13,667 ton carrying 538 autoles, was listing and crewremained on board to the fire. He did not know was in danger of sinking. sonally, it sounds to me they're just trying to salit," Mr. Edwards said. parent, it is getting pretty They've abandoned the ) room because it was get-

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### Information exchange agreement signed

## Qatari delegation leaves after wide-ranging talks

AMMAN, Sept. 11 (Petra) - Qatar's heirapparent Sheikh Hamad Ibn Khalifa Al Thani and his accompanying delegation left Amman for Morocco today at the end of their three-day official visit to Jordan.

During the Qatari delegation's visit, an agreement on bilateral cooperation in information was signed. The agreement signed by Information Minister Adnan Abu Odeh and Qatari Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Sheikh Ahmad Ibn Seif Al Tahni provides for the exchange of radio and television material, broadcasters, directors and programmes as well as publications, newspapers and other related matters. The agreement also provides for wide-scale cooperation between the Qatari and Jordanian news agencies.

The Qatari delegation was seen off at the airport by His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the Regent, Prime Minister Mudar Badran cabinet members and senior government officials as well as members of diplomatic missions in Jor-

The delegation had several meetings with Jordanian officials, aimed at boosting bilateral relations. The talks also covering Arab issues were held in an atmosphere of complete harmony and views were identical on all subjects discussed,

according to joint press statement issued today. The two sides stressed the need for further consolidating Arab solidarity and boosting joint Arab

action on the international level to confront the Zionist challenge and to render more assistance to the Palestinian people and help them regain their usurped rights and enable them to establish their independent state on their national soil under the leadership of the Palestine Liberation Organ-

According to the statement, the two sides explored the possibility of launching joint economic ventures.

Speaking in the outset of the visit, Crown Prince 'Hassan said tht he briefed his guest on Jordan's economic and social programmes included in the

current five year development plan. He told the Qatari news agency that initial agreements were reached in the talks on launching

joint economic projecs. The talks also dealt with the Zionist challenges posed against the Arab Nation and Israel's diggings under Al Aqsa Mosque in view of the situation, Crown Prince Hassan said, the Arab leaders should take the initiative to meet the aspirations of the Arab and Muslim nations and the inhabitants of the occupied Arab territories.

#### **Arab League to protest** Paris consents Aqsa excavations at U.N.

Arab League Council will raise the question of Israeli diggings under Al Agsa Mosque in occupied Jerusalem at the coming U.N. General Assembly's session and will request the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) to add the city of Jerusalem on its list of places of "international cultural heritage" with the purpose of preserving its Arab and Islamic character, Foreetar Marwan Al announced here today.

He was speaking upon returning to Amman from Tunis where he attended the Arab League Council's 76th meeting.

The council's decision was made at the request of Jordan, which also urged Arab states to make speedy contacts with U.N. members to halt Israel's excavations in occupied Jerusalem. Mr. Qasem said.

The whole subject, he said, was discussed by the Arab League

AMMAN, Sept. 11 (Petra) - The Council which was convened at foreign ministers level in view of the seriousness of the situation resulting from Israel's continued diggings that would endanger Al Agsa Mosque and other holy

> On the subject of Israel's plan to link the Mediterranean with the Dead Sea, Mr. Qasem said the Jordanian delegation has submitted a detailed and documented study on the subject outlining the serious dimensions of the project as well as Jordan's endeavours of the local and international levels amed at stopping the Israeli plan which is detrimental to Arab economic and national interests. .

The council, which ended its meetings Wednesday night. decided to boycott any firm which would help Israel to implement the project of the Mediterranean-Dead Sea canal. It also decided to boycott all airlines which use Qalandia airport near the occupied city of Jerusalem.

#### David's City archaeologist warned of 'horrible death'

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM. Sept. 11 (R) - A leader of the ultra-orthodox Jewish sect, the Neturei Karta, today threatened Israeli archaeologist Yigal Shilo with a "horrible death" if he does not stop excavating the biblical City of David.

Rabbi Moshe Hirsch, a spokesman for the fanatically anti-Zionist sect, told Reuters that Prof. Shilo, head of the project to uncover David's City, would becursed with "the most terrible curses we know unless he stops the

dig."
Rabbi Hirsch and other orthodox Jewish leaders say the dig is desecrating a medieval Jewish cemetery. But the archaeologists maintain there was never a cemetery on the disputed site.

Last week, the supreme court quashed an education ministry order which had suspended the dig. Rabbi Hirsch said he would. wait a few more days for the anticipated ruling of the attorney general on the subject before resorting to the curse ceremony.

This ceremony is an absolute last resort," he said. "It has only been invoked twice in the past 30 years, both times with horrible The ceremony, known as the

"Rod of Light", involves the reading of an 800-year-old text based on the Cabbala, a mystical Jewish

black candles, sound a ram's horn and invoke the name of the cursed man's mother. Rabbi Hirsch said he was still trying to establish Prof. Shilo's mother's name.

sequently broke his leg and several people were drowned in the

Shilo if he does not stop the awfulthings he is doing. There are many ways of dying, some less pleasant than others," the Rabbi said.

Neturei Karta has been involved in several violent clashes with the police at the site of the dig. Its spiritual leader, Rabbi Uri Blau, yesterday was ordered by the Jerusalem magistrates court to leave the city for 10 days until his trial for illegal and riotous assembly takes place.

#### New Dutch coalition sworn in

THE HAGUE, Sept. 11 (R) - A new three-party centre-left Dutch coalition government headed by Christian Democrat Prime Minister Dries van Agt was sworn in by Queen Beatrix today. The cabinet consists of six Christian Democrat (CDA) ministers,

six from the Labour Party and three members of the left-of-centre Democrats '66 Party.

Together they command 109 of the 150 seats in the lower house of parliament. The CDA emerged from the elections with 48 seats from

It is the second term of office as prime minister for Mr. Van Agt. He headed a coalition of CDA and the conservative liberals which completed its full term with a two-seat majority but fell after losing

Mr. Van Agt, 50, said last week that the new government would

make its policy statement on Oct. 13.

### Anti-government protests in Cairo belie Sadat's victory in plebiscite their funds confiscated by the gov-

CAIRO, Sept. 11 (R) — Egyptian riot police broke up crowds of Islamic fundamentalists who staged anti-government demonstrations after Friday prayers at two Cairo mosques

For the second time in two weeks police fired tear gas near Al Nour (light) mosque as several hundred bearded Muslim students began marching through the streets chanting: "There is no God but allah."

They were protesting against President Anwar Sadat's crackdown on religious and political extremists, the arrest of hundreds of Muslim hardliners and the dissolution of fundamentalist. societies.

There was trouble at another East Cairo mosque, whose preacher Sheikh Abdel Hamid Kishk was arrested in last week's round-up. As the congregation spilled onto the pavements several hundred people raised copies of the Koran and started parading through the streets.

Riot police appealed to them to disperse and when they refused waded into the crowd swinging batons. Several demonstrators were hauled away to police vans.

Today's demonstrations were smaller than last week's clashes between riot police and thousands of demonstrators who marched towards the Christian Coptic cathedral.

At Al Nour mosque, which is used by university students, a new government preacher read the sermon. At one point he asked his congregation to stop interrupting and at the end he was escorted out by bodyguards.

Outside the mosque fundamentalists collected money. Most Muslim societies have had

99.45 per cent back Sadat?

The disturbances came as the government disclosed the outcome of yesterday's referendum on the crackdown, reporting that 99.45 per cent of those who voted backed Mr. Sadat's measures.

Newspapers today reported overwhelming support for President Sadat in the referendum.

The government-guided press reported a massive turnout but Western correspondents at polling stations in central Cairo and in Egypt's second city Alexandria saw only a thin stream of voters.

Interior Minister Nabawi Ismail, announcing the result in Mr. Sadat's home village of Mit Abul Kom in the Nile Delta, said 11,026,266 people had voted in favour out of an electorate of 12,400,000.

He said only 60,273 had voted against. The rest either spoilt their ballot papers or did not vote.

The electorate was asked to vote yes or no on presidential

decrees ordering the arrest of 1.536 people, stripping the Coptia patriarch Pope Shenouda of power and shutting down seven opposition and religious journals.

produced official results showing at least 95 percent backing for Mr. Sadat's proposals. Mr. Sadat told reporters he

All previous referendums have

would make a speech on Monday summarising his plans for the In Nairobi, the All Africa Con-

ference of Churches (AACC) said it had asked President Anwar Sadat to release the Christian leaders his government had detained in the crackdown.

The secretary-general, the Rev. Maxime Rafransoa, said the AACC was shocked and disturbed to learn of the withdrawal of recognition and banishment of Pope Shenouda the third and was equally perturbed by news of the detention of seven bishops and 15 priests of the Coptic Orthodox Church of Egypt, "the oldest Christian church on this con-

Begin says Arabs don't have to worry

## Haig: 'Reinvigorated U.S.-Israeli relations will benefit Middle East9

WASHINGTON, Sept. 11 (Agencies) - The United States and Israel are formulating a "reinvigorated" strategic relationship that will also benefit other countries in the Middle East, U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig said today.

"We do not see these as threatening steps against moderate Arab countries. Precisely the opposite," he said, adding that Washington was seeking similar ties with such states. Mr. Haig made the comments in a television interview after two

days of talks between President Reagan and visiting Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin. The new, informal strategic relationship with Israel was aimed at

blocking "external threats from the Soviet Union or from Soviet proxies" in the Middle East, Mr. Haig said. He also said that despite charges by some members of Congress. the Saudi Arabian government was not unstable "in any sense of the

word," and Mr. Reagan would press ahead with his plan to sell sophisticated radar planes to the Saudis. Mr. Haig stressed, as he did yesterday after the president and Mr. Begin wound up their talks, that the new strategic ties with Israel

would be informal and limited by practical realities and political situations. "We have talked about a strategic relationship, a new one, an

invigorated one, if you will," he said today.

Mr. Haig strongly denied today that the U.S. had sought a stronger strategic relationship with Israel to compensate for Mr. Reagan's

#### Mujahedeen-clergy struggle spreads to Tehran streets ween revolutionary guards and

LONDON, Sept. 11 (R) — Street fighting erupted in Tehran again today as Iran buried 12 members of its security forces killed in

recent clashes in the capital. Hospital sources and Tehran residents told Reuters by telephone that shooting had broken

out in several parts of Tehran. It was not clear how many people died in today's clashes bet-

#### wounded in a guerrilla ambush on a motorway in West Tehran. Residents of the capital said they had heard bursts of gunfire in several parts of the city and

ambulances taking away the casualties. They said Mujahedeen supporters were taking to the streets in groups of 100 to 200, usually appeared at a rally of the guarded by armed men.

Iran's state radio, which has remained silent on recent violent disturbances in Tehran, today

supporters of the left-wing

Mujahedeen guerrillas who have

taken their struggle against the

at least one revolutionary guard

was killed and another was

But a hospital spokesman said

clergy leadership to the streets.

gave the first official casualty figure of government forces. The radio, monitored by Reuters, said 12 revolutionary guards had been killed in the recent fight-

It said: "They drank the draught of martyrdom while fighting against the American hired hypocrites (Mujahedeen)."

The Mujahedeen issued a statement today saying their struggle against the fundamentalist regime had "entered a new phase, heralding the death of the reactionary regime of Kho-

The statement telephoned to thirsty Khomeini government." Meanwhile, a leading mullah

today, the radio reported.

decision to sell five Airborne Warning And Control System (AWACS) radar planes to Saudi Arabia.

"We are not engaged in carrots or sticks, or threats or blackmail with respect to the success or failure of this issue," he said. Mr. Haig said Israel had not given any assurances that it would not repeat such actions as this year's attack on an Iraqi nuclear reactor

and the bombing of Beirut. The secretary of state said the United States had not formally tried to assure Arab states about the new relationship with Israel. "We are also engaging in similar (strategic) discussions with some of the moderate Arab regimes, but I won't be specific," he said.

Weinberger, Sharon 'putting meat on bones'

U.S. Defence Secretary Caspar Weinberger and Israeli Defence Minister Ariel Sharon met at the Pentagon today to begin the proccess that Mr. Haig called "putting meat on the bones" of U.S.-Israeli security relations.

But officials said the new ties will develop gradually, and how far they eventually go will depend on such factors as whether there is a

new Middle East peace agreement. White House spokesman Larry Speakes said: "What we are doing is starting a consultation process. Really nothing is decided."

Mr. Haig yesterday listed several areas of possible military cooperation, but each was sharply qualified - any joint exercises probably would be naval rather than in Israel itself, and U.S. military stockpiles there would be medical supplies.

He also cautioned that there were "real political and practical limitations on the degree of such collaborative action in the near

#### Begin, 'Arabs don't have to fear'

Mr. Begin said that the Arabs have no reason to fear strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel aimed at blocking Soviet inroads in the Middle East.

"If their Arab friends will complain to the Americans, what are you doing with the Israelis? I think they will have a reasonable reply. That is, if they will accept a reasonable reply," Mr. Begin said in an Israel Radio interview from Washington after the talks with President Reagan. Mr. Begin charged the Soviet Union was "taking over country

after country, with the aid of Cubans, East Germans, and now

Russians, as in Angola." He called it "a special problem of joint interest to the United States and Israel." Turning to the proposed sale of AWACS planes to Saudi Arabia,

Mr. Begin reiterated Israel's claims that the planes endangered Israel. "This is a threat to Israel's security," he said. "They will make.

The prime minister said he explained Israel's position to President Reagan "I think we proved our thesis," he said.

### MIDDLE EAST BRIEFS

#### Norwegian named as Sinai force chief

OSLO, Sept. 11 (A.P.) - The defence ministry today confirmed that Norwegian Maj. Gen. Fredrik Bull-Hansen has been appointed chief of the multi-national Sinai force. The ministry's information office announced that Gen. Bull-Hansen, 54, today was relieved from his post as chief of the Norwegian army forces in north Norway and put at disposal for the United States, Egypt and Israel as chief of the Sinai force. He was promoted to Lieutenant General, effective from Sept. 1. The United States, Egypt and Israel agreed last month to establish a multi-national peacekeeping and observation force in Sinai when Israel withdraws from the area in April next year. "Norway was asked to contribute with one general as chief of the force.

#### Haig, Fahd to meet in Spain

MADRID, Sept. 11 (A.P.) - U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig and Crown Prince Fahd Ibn Abdulaziz of Saudi Arabia will meet outside Malaga in southern Spain tomorrow "to discuss matters of mutual concern," the U.S. embassy said here today. Confirming reports of the meeting between the American secretary and Prince Fahd, who is also the deputy prime minister of Saudi Arabia, an embassy statement said the two leaders "agreed that their simultaneous visits to Spain provided an opportunity" for their talks. Mr. Haig will make a 12-hour stopover in Spain atthe start of a trip to Yugoslavia and West Germany. Prince Fahd, considered the second most important Saudi leader after King Khaled, has a vacation residence in southern Spain.

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He said one of the two previous ceremonies had been to curse the owners and users of a mixed swimming pool in a Jerusalem hotel in the 1950s. The owner sub-

pool, he said. "A horrible fate awaits Prof.

The installation of the government ends more than 100 days of tough bargaining between the three parties since the May 26 general

its previous 49, while Labour dropped nine seats to take 44 and Democrats '66 picked up nine to give them 17 seats.

three seats last May.

### to open SWAPO ANC offices

PARIS, Sept. 11 (A.P.) -France's Socialist government has decided to allow southern African liberation movements to open information offices in Paris, external relations ministry sources said today.

The organisation concerned are the South West Africa Peoples Organisation, SWAPO, which is fighting the South African government for independence of Namibia, a territory administered by South Africa and the Africa: National Congress, a guerrilla group battling the Pretoria regime for black majority rule

in South Africa. The sources, who cannot be idnetified, said the decision to agree to the requests of the two organisations was not particularly significant because such information offices already exist in Bonn and Lon-

But the move did serve to emphasise the increasing dif-

ferences between Washington and its closest allies. President François Mitterrand has said he will take a tough stance towards Pretoria and France voted in the U.N. Security Council last week to condemn South Africa's mas-

sive search-and-destroy raid in Angola. Along with the United States, France is part of a five nation "contact group" on Namibia and feels that U.S. willingness to tolerate South Africa's delaying tactics in granting the territory independence help strengthen

#### Soviet influence in the region. Bobbies seize arms cache in Belfast as Spain hears N. Ireland nationalist

BELFAST, Sept. 11 (A.P.) — British troops uncovered a cache of nearly 350 gasoline bombs in the flashpoint Divis Flats complex in Roman Catholic West Belfast today, military headquarters reported.

fortress-like apartment complex early today and combed buildings for weapons and bombs, a spokesman said. He said the milk-bottle molotov

Scores of troops sealed off the

cocktails were found stacked in 14 crates along with five-gallon drums of gasoline. No arrests were reported. Security forces have raided Divis Flats several times in recent weeks amid an upsurge of violence linked to the Maze Prison hunger strike by convicted guerrillas of the almost exclusively Catholic Irish Republican Army and its splinter factions. Ten men have died on the fast, demanding treatment as political prisoners.

Meanwhile in Barcelona. Northern Ireland nationalist leader Bernadette Devlin McAliskey surfaced unexpectedly, today 24 hours after being expelled, made a short speech and vanished, the news agency EFE said.

Mrs. Devlin McAliskey

revolutionary communist league at Montjuich on Barcelona's outskirts, the agency said, spoke for 10 minutes aid left for an unknown destination. The nationalist leader was put on a plane for Paris Thursday after

order barring her entry into Spain. The order apparently came after Mrs. Devlin McAliskey campaigned for leftist candidates in Spain's 1979 general elections. But the Spanish news agency

said an interior ministry order

barred her because she had vio-

apologies for terrorism."

on her brief speech made at Mont-

juich Convention Hall.

being held overnight in Barcelona airport under a 1980 immigration

lated a Spanish law prohibiting Mrs. Devlin McAliskey reportedly was the last speaker on the rally programme on Catalan National Day after appearances by the organisers and representatives of the Palestine Liberation Organisation and the

Democratic Front of El Salvador.

nesday night on a flight from Lon-

don to begin a five-day speaking tour in support of Irish nationalist guerrillas in Maze Prison. The news agency gave no details

Reuters said: "The Mujahedeen now show with demonstrations that they are able to come out in the streets to overthrow the blood-She came to Barcelona Wed-

> and close aide of spiritual head Ayatollah Rubollah Khomeini was killed along with six other people in a grenade attack in the north-western city of Tabriz

# U.S. Islam expert arrives tomorrow

Peck's upcoming trip to the Mid-dle East will focus on two aspects of the American scholar's long-

standing professional interests.

Dr. Peck, director of programmes at the Middle East Institute in Washington, will conduct research for a book on the United Arab Emirates and lecture on American perceptions of Islam. His month-long journey, which began on Aug. 22, is scheduled to include stops in the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Jordan and

He is currently writing a book entitled The United Arab Emi-. rates: A Profile, which will be published by the Westview Press in Colorado by late 1982 as part of a large series of books covering all the countries in the Middle East.

Dr. Peck's lectures on American perceptions of Islam will address what is being done in the United States to make the American public more knowledgeable. about Islam.

It is a topic he has been inti-mately involved with as a result of his association during the past four years with the National Committee to Honour the Fourteenth Centennial of Islam. In an effort to focus the attention of Americans on Islamic civilisation and culture, the committee sponsored a yearlong calendar of events, beginning in November 1979, which included travelling exhibitions, seminars, workshops and films on

Dr. Peck, who is president of the committee's board of directors, said he has been very much interested in "this effort to tell Americans more about the world. of Islam, broadly comprehended in a geographic sense to include all of the many Muslim communities of the world, including our own in the United States."

#### kslam growing fast

He pointed out that Islam is "the fastest growing religious community in the United States today" and comprises an estimated 2 million adherents. Most of the increase represents the conersion of native-born Americans to Islam, he said, noting however, that there are large numbers of Dr. Malcolm Peck, director of the Middle East Institute in Washington D.C., will arrive in Jordan on Sunday as part of a Middle East tour he is making while researching a new book. This article introduces Dr. Peck along with his ideas and work.

students and others from throughout the Muslim World who continue to come to the United States.

What is interesting, he added, is that increasingly, Americans, "both black and white, are becom-

Dr. Peck explained that the work of the committee to honour the 14th centennial of Islam will continue actively into 1983. A major exhibition coordinated by. the group will tour the United States in 1982 and 1983. Called. the "Heritage of Islam," the exhibition will put before audiences in many U.S. cities a great many art objects which will illustrate the breadth and diversity of Islamic culture," Dr. Peck noted.

The scholar emphasised that there are many other efforts being undertaken by other Americans to inform their fellow citizens about Islamic culture.

"One has seen in recent years a very significant growth of academic and other organisations, which are devoted in one way or another to telling Americans more about the Middle East and still, more recently, to telling Americans more about the world of Islam." Dr. Peck said.

"One notes also the enormous growth in academic and other conferences devoted to aspects of the Muslim World," he added. "Most of these... strike me as very serious undertakings drawing upon some of the best expertise available in the United States, and many of them result in useful publications ideas still further."

He said there has also been an

increase in programmes about Islam on radio and television, and that as a result "some of these ideas have been exposed to still a

wider audience than may be

reached through academic con-

ferences and books." Dr. Peck noted the recent increase in literature on Islam being produced in the United States. He cited in particular the importance of a book entitled Islam and Development, edited by John Esposito, chairman of the department of religious studies at Holy Cross College in Massachusetts.

This book "counters the long prevalent feeling among a great many social scientists that Islam and other religions tended to represent obstacles to development," Dr. Peck said. "Some of the studies in this book make the point that Islam, to the contrary, can be a very positive element in prom-

oting and guiding development.". "This is something which is gratifying to see, because it gets Americans to think rather more positively about an important culture to which they have not yet devoted sufficient attention," he

Dr. Peck, 42, holds a doctor of philosophy degree from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University in Mas-

He is the author of numerous book reviews, and has published articles on Saudi Arabia and the Gulf, Egyptian nationalism, modemisation and Islam, sources of terials on t East and other topics.

He explained that his current

rates (UAE) is an attempt to present a general picture of the society and culture in that country. He said it includes chapters on various subjects - from geography to cultural change, social dynamics, domestic politics, foreign relations and economics.

He noted that much of the previous literature on the UAE has focused primarily on the economic dimension and usually has not taken "sufficiently into account people of the areas themselves -their aspirations, goals, feelings."

"I would like to seize upon the occasion to say something in particular about the society itself," Dr. Peck said, "and the way it looks out on the world... whereas most of the literature available to us as Americans — and par-ticularly what we read in the daily press - deals with this part of the world as an object of interest for

"Obviously that is important," he added, "but I don't think we can deal with that part of the world intelligently unless we know much more about the people themselves the way they look out on the world... not merely the way that we look at them in terms of our economic and strategic interests."

Dr. Peck has been associated for the past 11 years with the Middle East Institute, a non-profit organisation which promotes study, discussion and public information services on issues related to the Middle East.

He is responsible for designing and implementing the institute's programme activities and information services, and also serves in the administration area. He has organised annual conferences, panel discussions, business seminars, symposia for scholars and a variety of meetings for visitorsfrom the Middle East. Dr. Peck also briefs students, media representatives, businessmen and

Dr. Peck has served as a research fellow at the centre for Middle Eastern studies at Harvard University in Massachusetts, and as an instructor in history at the University of Chattanooga in Tennessee. (USICA)



Minister of Labour Jawad Al Anani addresses a press conference on the new phase of Social Security on Thursday.

The press conference was

attended by SSC Director General

Farhi 'Ubeid and other aides.

### 62,000 more workers to get Social Security coverage in November

AMMAN, Sept. 11 (Petra) - A further 62,000 employees of various government departments, private companies and other institutions will be covered by the Social Security law as of November 1981, Labour Minister Jawad Al Anani announced here

Speaking at a press conference in his capacity as the Social Security Corporation's (SSC's) board chairman, Dr. Anani said that with the addition of these employees, the total number of people covered by the SSC will be 118,000. The government has earmarked JD 400,000 in order to implement this project, he said.

The employees to be included on Nov. 1 are those employed by government agencies who do not fall within the grade classification system; those employed by municipalities and the two Jordanian universities; labourers in government or semi-government institutions, and those working for companies that employ at least 20

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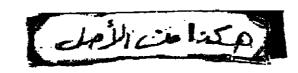
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Prince Hassan, the Regent, expressing gratitude for their sponsoring of the conference. Similar cábles were sent to Prime Minister Mudar Badran and other senior officials who helped to make their conference a success.

The participants also sent a cable to President Saddam Hussein of Iraq, condemning Israel's air raid on the Iraqi nuclear plant and lauding the successes of the Iraqi army in its battle to recover Arab rights on the eastern borders

and morally.

The second conference of Arab

### U.S. envoy suffers riding mishap

AMMAN, Sept. 11 (J.T.) -United States Ambassador to Jordan Richard Viets was injured today after falling of a riding horse in Amman

sador Viets suffered a broken right arm and a fractured pelvis bone, and is recuperating at the King Hussein Medical Centre, according to American embassy sources. He is expected to remain in hes-pital until he recovers folly.

The accident was the fault of as improperly mounted saddle. When Mr. Viets got into the saddle, his horse jumped and threw the ambassador onto the concrete pavement.

## Jordan gets int'l direct-dialling telephone system

AMMAN, Sept. 11 (J.T.) — International direct telephone dialling has been made available to a selected list of Jordanian subscribers, Telecommunications Corporation Director General Mohammad Shahed Ismail announced tonight.

He told the Jordan Times a 500-line "temporary small exchange" was installed at the corporation's central exchange in downtown Amman. It acts as a "satellite" to the French International Switching Centre in Lyons, he said.

The exchange was provided by the French company Thomson CSF, "as a gesture" to compensate for the delay in delivery of Jordan's 32 million French franc National and International Switching Centre (NISC), Mr. Ismail said. The company had won the contract for the centre, but could not deliver on time.

The temporary exchange provides direct dialling in one direction for outgoing calls only. Each subscriber, with a telephone line connected to the central exchange, can have it connected to the French centre through which he can make his calls.

Mr. Ismail said the NISC delay was necessary in the light of software modifications that had to be introduced to a similar centre built by Thomson CSF for Greece and installed in Athens.

"The moment the modifications are finalised, the hardware will be airfreighted from France to be installed in Amman," he said. He said he expected the Jordanian NISC to be in full operation by

#### **Parliamentary** delegation due in Havana

AMMAN, Sept. 11 (Petra) — A Jordanian parliamentary delegation led by Speaker of the Upper House of Parliament Bahjat Al Talhouni will leave for Havana, Cuba tomorrow to take part in the Inter-Parliamentary Union's 68th meeting, which will open on Sun-

The meeting will hold a general review of the world economic and social situation and will deal with such issues as disarmament, the world energy problem and racial discrimination, Mr. Talhouni said.

Also on the agenda will be Israel's violations of U.N. resolutions and its recurrent acts of aggression against Lebanon, Mr. Talhouni added. Mr. Talhouni will be accompanied by a four member delegation.

#### British church delegation due on Sunday

AMMAN, Sept. 11 (Petra) - A delegation from the British Council of Churches, led by Mr. David Blakely, will arrive here on Sunday for a visit to Jordan expected to last several days.

During the visit the delegation will meet with senior government officials and Christian and Muslim leaders, to discuss the condition of holy places in Jerusalem and the other parts of the occupied Arab

#### Hungarian health team flies home

AMMAN, Sept. 11 (Petra) — Hungarian Deputy Minister Lejos Guszt and his accompanying delegation left for home yesterday at the end of a five-day visit to Jordan. During the visit they met with Health Minister Zuhair Malhas and other officials, and signed an agreement on cooperation in medical activities between Hungary and Jordan. The Hungarian delegation also toured a number of health and medical centres in the country.

#### 7 evening schools in Zarqa District

ZARQA, Sept. 11 (Petra) — Seven evening schools opened in Zarqa District at the start of the current scholastic year, the deputy director of the education department, Mr. Ali Hanandeh, announced today. He said that two of these schools were opened at Azraq and two at Ruseifeh to enable adult students to resume their academic studies and sit for the General Secondary Certificate Examinations (tawjihi).

### Joint health panel meets

AMMAN, Sept. 11 (Petra) — Teams from the Health Ministry and Amman Municipality held a joint meeting here yesterday to discuss means of coordinating their work in the field of sanitation and health-related matters.

Among the subjects discusse by the teams were collection of garbage in Amman, improving the work of the wastewater treatment plant at 'Ain Ghazal, laboratory tests on drinking water samples and tests of wastewater running in the sewers in different regions, as well as training of staff to handle the work.

#### Industry aide visits Iraqi fair

AMMAN, Sept. 11 (Petra) — Minister of lindustry and Trade. Walld Assert today visited the Iraqi products fair light at the Prosional Associations Complex. He toured the various sections

of the fair and met with its director, Mr. Basel Abdul Aziz. The fair, which opened on Sept. 1, will last until Sept. 15.

#### At the meeting, co-chaired by Health Minister Zuhair Malhas and Amman Mayor Isam Ajlouni, a six-member standing committee was formed to prepare studies on ways to solve the health problems. The meeting was attended by Under-Secretary of Health Rizq Al Rashdan and other sides.

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ment In'am Al Mufti addresses the meeting of the national committee for

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area, Mrs. Mufti added.

She said that on Sept. 26 the

committee will mount a week-

long fund-raising campaign, and a

charity function and a bazaar will

be held in the first half of

November whose proceeds will

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months, and decided to hold its

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governors, district governors and

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### JD 1.3 million in projects for the handicapped announced

and rehabilitation centre to train

handicapped people in different

trades according to their abilities.

Some 5,966 handicapped persons,

aged between 15 and 45, have

registered for training at the prop-

osed centre, which will cost JD

350,000 to build. Another JD

100,000 will be spent on accom-

modation for the trainees, Mrs.

In addition, she said, the com-

mittee will build a cultural and

sports club for the handicapped

persons--at a cost of JD 250,000.

donate JD 100,000 to voluntary

societies to help their work in this

The committee also intends to

Mufti said.

AMMAN, Sept. 11 (Petra) - The national committee for the International Year of Disabled Persons held a meeting at the Amman Chamber of Industry yesterday under the chairmanship of Her Highness Princess Basma, to finalise plans for projects to benefit the handicapped in Jordan.

Addressing the meeting, Minister of Social Development In am Al Mufti said that the committee will soon carry out three major projects, at a total cost of JD 1.3

One of these projects, expected to cost JD 200,000, will provided some 1,000 handicapped people with equipment necessary to enable them to make a living, and another, at a cost of JD 150,000, is to provide handicapped people with means of transport to help them get to work, the minister

A third project, she said, will be the construction of a vocational

#### Speeders face radar in dark as from tonight

AMMAN, Sept. 11 (Petra) — The Traffic Department has announced that the police will begin radar at night as from Saturday. The radar system, which has been used only in the day so far, will now be used to stop motorists from speeding at night, the announcement said.

#### Alitalia agents meet on service to Middle East

AMMAN, Sept. 11 (J.T.) -Leading Alitalia representatives from Baghdad, Damascus, Morocco, Rome, Milan and Jor-dan gathered from Sept. 7-9 for a condensed meeting at Amman Holiday Inn to discuss important affairs, mainly regarding the guarantee of transit for all passengers to Iraq.

One of the topics discussed and approved by the airline representatives was maintaining flights to Jordan with an increase in frequency, to fulfill the demand of Jordanian local market - starting from next year.

The expected passenger load has been calculated at 6,000 a year. Market budgeting for the entire Middle East area was also discussed, taking into con-sideration the establishment of the forecast target for 1982.

The meeting was also attended by representatives of northern Italy - an industrial region - since there is expected to be an increase: of work and collaboration among Italy, Jordan and Iraq.

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#### Algeria, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya and Arab and international specialised organisations. Upon the conclusion of the conference, the participants sent a rence's spokesman, Dr.

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of the Arab World.

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#### Small men's triumph

PREDICTABLE as it may have been, the main result of the meetings in Washington last week between Ronald Reagan and Menachem Begin reflects an extraordinary display of shortsightedness that is perhaps only logical for two men with such a passion for guns, cliches and simplistic theories. As they see themselves, Messrs Begin and Reagan are the Good Guys, two lonely sheriffs single-handedly fighting off the world's bad guys, who are conveniently grouped into the category of "communists".

The formation of what is in everything but name an alliance between the United States and Israel will only aggravate the sources of tension and instability in the Middle East. The American vision of an alliance of Arab states, Israel and the United States collectively fighting off the alleged Soviet threat to the Middle East is more in the realm of the fantastic than anything else, given the bitter reality of American resources fully supporting the Israeli occupation of Palestinian and other Arab lands and the catalogue of Israeli aggression against the Arab World. It is expedient and financially rewarding for Mr. Begin to stoke the fires of such American geopolitical mythology. But the policy that has been taken a step forward last week by Messrs Begin and Reagan is an unmitigated disaster for all those whose aim has been to promote understanding, justice, reconciliation and peace between the Palestinians and the Israelis, between Arab and Jew, between Orient and Occident. The narrow vision of small, frightened men has won out again this week. What a monumental shame. What an amazing provocation to anti-American sentiment in the

#### ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

#### Arabs should not wait

AL RA'l: We consider President Francois Mitterrand's call for a recognition of Palestinian rights as a positive aspect of France's Middle East policy. We fail to perceive, however, any constructive elements in the Camp David agreements which the French president considers as implying some degree of Israeli recognition of Palestinian rights.

De jure recognition of the Palestinians means that the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) is the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people and that the constituent components of the Palestine state actually exist. These are: the land of Palestine, now under Israeli occupation, and the Palestinian people who are struggling for their just cause. Recognition of this fact is an indispensable element for the achievement of a genuine and just peace. Israel clearly denies these rights.

Recognition of the Palestinian rights was, and still is, the goal which the Arab nation is striving to achieve so as to enable the Palestinian people to establish their independent state on their national soil. It is clear that France, and a majority of European nations that now support the Palestinian rights, can play a major role in resolving the Middle East issue. But although these nations can also influence the American position, we must not sit idly by and wait for other nations to bring us Washington's recognition of Palestinian rights on a silver platter.

De jure recognition of the Palestinians by the European majority was the fruit of both successful joint Arab action and Palestinian just struggle. The Arabs need, to double their efforts if they wish to see this recognition translated into a practical reality. Indeed, they must treble these efforts if they wish to bring about a constructive change in America's stand.

#### Detrimental U.S.-Israeli accord

AL DUSTOUR: If what we hear is true about an initial U.S.-Israeli agreement on strategic cooperation-resulting from Begin's talks in Washington, then the Middle East issue will from now on be either frozen or will no more rank amongst America's priorities. Such an agreement is detrimental to the Arabs since it means that Washington is giving its consent to Israel to feel free in committing further acts of aggression on the Arab nation, and in pursuing its settlement policy in the occupied Arab territories. More importantly, this reported agreement is bound to bring about an unprecedented form of polarisation in this region and will most certainly lead to an escalation of superpower struggle. This in turn will rule out any possibility for a big power agreement on a reasonable solution for the Middle East problem and will shift world attention more and more towards the new dimensions of the cold war and its adverse effects on East-West detente.

Israel, feeling quite comfortable under the U.S. umbrella will then resume its military operations against the Palestinians in Lebanon under the pretext of countering Soviet expansion. Begin has paved the way for such a step when he presented to President Reagan details about the Soviet-made sophisticated weapons allegedly in possession by the Palestinians in Lebanon. He obviously wants to convince Washington that the destruction of the Palestinian resistance and the removal of Syrian forces from Lebanon fall within the context of their agreement to curb Soviet

Furthermore, a U.S.-Israeli strategic agreement would give Israel additional military and economic aid from the United States. Of course, the military weapons in particular will not be used against the Soviet Union, but against the Arab nation. The United States will thus have helped Israel achieve its goals by perpetuating its occupation of Arab territory, and by offering it the necessary tools for future expansion.

It is regrettable that the American administration is pursuing a wrong policy line concentrating all its power to counter an imaginary Soviet threat ignoring the real danger which is Israel's aggression that constitutes, the real threat to peace.



"Gee, fellers, how come you never told me what a swell guy Menachem here is? — Why, he's just offered me all sorts of sites for a base for our beys in some neat place called the West Bank!"

## 'Plain talk for Israel'

By George W. Ball

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IT IS UNFORTUNATE that

each side's domestic politics

Next April, when Israel centre. Before negotiation, the hands over the remainder of the Sinai to Egypt, the first phase of the Camp David accords will have been triumphantly concluded. But achievement of the second phase is farther away than ever. Although the Camp David accords is producing an Israeli-Egyptian peace, they provide too limited a forum for continue indefinitely. settling the remaining, far more complex problems, such as the fate of the 1.3 million Palestinians who inhabit the West Bank and Gaza Strip and who, as members of the human

Palestine Liberation Organisation will not abandon its formal commitment to the destruction of Israel, nor will Israel qualify its rigid opposition to self-determination for the Palestinians in the occupied areas. Without a strong -- and unlikely -- American initiative. the deadlock seems destined to In terms of practical con-

sequences, Prime Minister Begin is opting for territory rather than peace. He now insists more vehemently than ever that the West Bank --Samaria and Judea, as he calls it -- is an inseparable part of Eretz Israel: at the same time he has whittled down his offer of West Bank autonomy to little more than a redeployment

of Israeli forces. To reinforce Israel's claim to the West Bank, he is seeking, by a policy of accelerated settlement, to pre-empt its land and water supply progressively in a rush to create "new facts" that could obstruct -- and in the end foreclose -- any transfer of sovereignty. Meanwhile, to maintain itself as a garrison state. Israel lives beyond its means, wrecks its economy and grows increasingly dependent on American subsidies now running at the rate of \$2 billion

Israel's strains and pressures entail not merely political but social consequences, tragically depleting the reservoir of idealism that marked its early, valiant years. Yet in Mr. Begin's perplexing policy, one looks vainly for a durable solution. To maintain the existing military occupation. Israel's soldiers must inevitably intensify the repression that afflicts all military occupations that last too long - and Israel's has lasted 14 years. History once more repeats itself: just as the Jews during the Mandate grew more and more restless under British occupation, so an important new Palestinian generation, feeling unheard and neglected, increasingly toward the PLO as th

only hope for effective resis-In insisting that the West

Bank belongs to Israel, Mr. Begin overlooks the fact that annexation would confront his country with a lamentable dilemma. With the Palestinian population now expanding at twice the Jewish rate, relentless demography would soon make Israel half Arab, which would contradict the concept of a Jewish national state. To treat the Palestinians as less than firstclass citizens would, in essence, mean apartheid, which would deny everything Israel has stood for. To try to force the. West Bank Palestinians into another diaspora would destroy all possibility of peace.

These realities cannot be wished away and we should no longer smother them in diplomatic beamaise.

America's interest in all this is legitimate and real. Just as Israel's friends seek persistently to influence America's policy, so the president should not hesitate to speak freely about Israel's. We cannot continue to support Israel politically and militarily without sharing the consequences of its actions and decisions. It is time to discuss its policies openly and candidly as befits relations between close friends.

George W. Ball is former U.S. under secretary of state. The above article appeared in the New York Times recently.

### **BUSINESS HORIZON**

## Libyan partners in oil and trade

By Fahed Fanek

OIL IS THE KEY to the Libyan economy. Exported oil forms 99 per cent of the total national exports, and oil production contributes two thirds of the Gross National Product. Should any thing obstruct the smooth running of this sector. the national income will drop by 80 per cent; exports will disappear and reserves of foreign exchange will dry up in no time.

The Libyan government is aware of the importance of this vital sector, and has accordingly exempted it from all political, social and economic measures applied in other sec-

Libyan oil for instance is not vet nationalised as is the case in all other Arab countries.

Labourers in oil production were not allowed to "march" and take over the management as happened to every other private or public business in the country so that labourers become partners not merely hired personnel as specified in the Green Book, the bible of the Libyan revolution.

Much was said about reducing production, or boycotting certain Western countries, but nothing materialised. More than one third of Libyan oil is still being exported to the United States, and 70 per cent goes to three Western countries: U.S.A., Italy and West Germany. Oil companies working in oil production in Libya are American, Italian and French. The British companies share was nationalised in 1971 in protest against Britain which allowed Iran to occupy the three Arab islands in the Arabian Gulf. It is ironic that Libya found itself, after ten years, supporting Iran in its struggle to keep Arab territories including the three Arab islands and Shatt At Arab.

Foreign companies own a percentage of the Libyan of production investment, and are accordingly interested in marketing the Libyan oil at the highest price possible, protecting the "business" from the unfavourable political consequences. Those companies are quite confident of their future in Libya and are investing millions of dollars every year in search for new oil wells.

Libyan imports in 1979 reached \$7.9 billion, over and above arms imports which are not included in the commodities statistics. The most important clients of Libya are: Italy 27, per cent: West Germany, 16 per cent: France 9 per cent: U.S.A. 6.5 per cent; Britain and Japan, 7 per cent

The value of exports in 1979 was \$15.5 billion of which 99 per cent is oil. The major costomers are U.S.A., 33 per cent West Germany, 18 per cent: and Italy, 18 per cent.

This picture reflects the economic dependence of Libra on its Western trade partners which may prove very dangerous should a real political dispute erupt between Libya and the West, especially America, unless there is an implet agreement to separate points from business as the Libraria minister said in Geneva is August 1981 during the upper cessful OPEC meetings.

Libya must diversify itstrate relationships in order not to remain vulnerable to political pressures from its major trade partners, especially if the major partner is none other than the United States of America.

## It may be like sowing seeds on a whirlwind

By Reginald Dale

family, are entitled to the

human rights we piously

espouse. The puzzle on which

we should be focusing is how to

reconcile their rights with

Israel's security apprehen-

sions. That will require more

WASHINGTON: According to a Washington radio station, "country music, motherhood, apple pie and the flag' are the four things that Americans regard as most important. One could argue about the first three (it was after all a country music station that said it), but there can be little doubt about

Nor can there be any doubt of President Reagan's determination to show it around the world. It may have been coincidence that the president, wearing a glorified baseball cap, took command of an aircraft carrier off the California coast recently, on the day after U.S. navy fighters shot down two Libyan jets over the Bay of Sirte.

It was also undoubtedly a coincidence that the watched from the bridge an acrobatic performance by the very same type of aircraft --the F14 Tomcat -- that downed the Libyans.

But it was, nevertheless, seen as oddly appropriate by many Americans, cock-a-hoop at a successful demonstration of American military muscle after years of what has often seemed like bungling and confusion. Time magazine even reported the incident as if it were a football match -- U.S. 2-Libya O, it triumphantly proclaimed on its cover after the event.

Whether the Reagan administration was deliberately trying to provoke the Libyan incident is still not clear. But Mr. Reagan personally authorised the naval exercise that led to the incident, in the full knowledge that an exchange of fire was possible. And he personally approved the "rules of engagement" for U.S. pilots who might come under attack, according to Mr. Alexander Haig, the secretary of state.

Mr. Reagan sees the world in fairly simple, homespun terms. "The other fellows" was how he described the Libyan pilots afterwards. There is no doubt in his mind that anyone who gets in America's way is in the wrong.

Since Mr. Reagan came to power there has been a radical reversal of what Republicans see as the "wet" foreign policy of President Carter on almost every

In pride of place is the new determination to take on the Soviet Union at every possible level of confrontation, whether that means building a neutron warhead or dispatching a handful of American advisers to the govement of Honduras.

Mr. Reagan is convinced, almost certainly rightly, that most Americans want the country to regain its role of No. I "superpower" and he is setting out to do

Mr. Reagan has launched the biggest U.S. defence build-up in peace time history, despite the threat it poses to economic goals such as balancing the budget by 1984. He now admits he may have to find "savings" on the defence side, but he is not going to be diverted from his overall objec-

Col. Qadhafi is a particularly appropriate target for the Reagan administration, believing as it does that one of the greatest threats to the world is Sovietinspired international terrorism. But the same theory is being applied in many other parts of the

The Reagan team has, from the outset, made clear its scorn for President Carter's policies on human rights. The test of American support for an ally is now its dedication to the struggle against communism rather than its support of democratic principles. The tables have been turned on Carter-style human rights advocates: international terrorism is the ultimate deprivation of human rights, Mr. Haig has said.

This approach has led the administration into supporting regimes, such as those of Chile and Argentina in Latin America, of which its predecessor was highly dubious. It has stepped up support for right-wing governments in El Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras because of what it sees as a Soviet-Cuban plan to get at the soft under-belly of the U.S. by destabilising Central America.

Pakistan is to get \$2 billion worth of American arms, regardless of its views about democracy, because it is next door to Sovietoccupied Afghanistan and could be an anti-communist bastion. (It also, of course, next door to

The Reagan administration has been showing the American flag around the world. The U.S.' new foreign policy is tough, uncompromising, clear-cut and anti-communist. Its critics in the Democratic party argue that that amounts to no foreign policy at all.

India.)

China's classification as a potential buyer of U.S. arms has been changed to allow it to ask for a wider range of more lethal weapons - because of its solid anti-Sovietism. Poor little democratic Costa Rica has got into trouble with the fire-eating ambassador to the United Nations, Mrs. Jeane Kirkpatrick, for failing to have an army, or even a proper police force.

International aid for Grenada's new airport has been opposed for fear that it might be used as a stop-over for Cuban military aircraft. There is little concern that South Africa appears to be emerging as a close friend.

Washington duly condemned the South African incursion into Angola and says it wants a peaceful solution to the Namibia problem. But America's allies feel it is dragging its heels on Namibia.

Relations between the Regan administration and Pretoria are closer than under any U.S. president for many years. The South Africans easily pass the anticommunist litmus test and are seen in Washington as a vital outpost of the Western world. Some right-wing Republicans in Washington even believe that South Africa should join NATO.

A philosophically dubious distinction has been made between totalitarian States (communists), which are bad, and authoritarian states (right-wing U.S. allies) which are, if not good, at least excused from some of the norms of civilised behaviour in their struggle against the Red peril.

Mr. Reagan is even flying in the face of America's traditional, virtually automatic support for Israel by seeking to arm Saudi Arabia with a sophisticated aircraft pac-kage of early warning AWACS and F-15 fighters, on the grounds that the country is linchpin of anti-communism.

Nearer home, support for a Caribbean "Marshall plan" to promote the economic development of the Caribbean basin looks as if it is based more on strategic than humanitarian considerations. The official view, after all, is that poor countries should seek their salvation through private enterprise rather than aid.

The same thinking influences Reaganite attitudes towards the whole question of the North-South dialogue between industrialised and developing countries, which may or may not be relaunched at a summit meeting of world leaders in Cancun, Mexico, in October.

The need for Third World development is seen in today's Washington as an element in the containment of communism around the globe rather than as something worth-while in its own right -- a point on which most Europeans, and particularly the new French Socialist government of President Francois Mitterrand, would strongly disagree.

Similar disagreements between Europeans and Americans erupted at July's Ottawa Summit on East-West trade, which Mr. Reagan sees as another potential weapon in the struggle with international communism.

For their part, the Americans feel some exasperation that there is apparently no way of satisfying the Europeans, whatever Washington does.

Under the Carter administration, American officials point out, the West Europeans were begging for strong American leadership -- and a stronger dollar. Now that they have got both, they are complaining bitterty.

The problem is that the Europeans also want their views and sensibilities to be taken into account and President Reagan is showing little sign of doing so -- or even clearly understanding what these sensibilities are. That, of course, would be

nothing new. What worries many Europeans is that they are not clear who is actually taking the decisions that affect them. Mr Haig is widely ween as the only member of the Reagan cabinet with sufficient experience of. Europe, and sufficient authority. to put the European viewpoint before decisions are taken on issues such as the neutron weapon.

But in that particular case. Mr. Haig lost out to Mr. Caspar Weinberger, the defence secretary, who argued that Western Europe should not have a veto over U.S. arms policy decisions. Mr. Haig insists that he and Mr. Weinberger see eye to eye on America's broad strategic objectives. But there is no doubt that the two men often differ sharply on how those objectives are to be achieved, and the former commander-in-chief of NATO in Western Europe (Mr. Haig) turns out to be the "dove".

If there has been a complaint in the State Department about the Europeans it is that they are refusing to recognise the Reagan Administration's genuine commitment to negotiate with the Soviet Union -- albeit from a new position of strength. Mr. Haig has gone out of his

way to stress that communications with Moscow have been maintained. There have been over 50 contacts -- and a dozen written messages -- with the Soviet leadership in the last six months, he said.

U.S.- Soviet negotiations on "theatre" nuclear weapons in Europe are to start in November, after an initial meeting between Mr. Haig and Mr. Andrei Gromyko, his Soviet counterpart, at the United Nations in Sep-

tember. But however much Mr. Haig stresses American willingness to negotiate, and he does so two or three times a week, the Europeans never seem to be listening and the U.S. is beginning to resent their

It is not clear, either, how fi President Reagan is genuine involved in some of these der sions. He likes to be given a sin plified explanation of the issue with the aid of his now famou briefing books, prepared by h own White House staff.

This gives enormous power the staff. It was Mr. Edwin Mees the White House counsellor an chief policy adviser, who decide when the president should be to about the Libyan dogfight - 14 Mr. Haig or Mr. Weinberger. M Meese is said to be known to h staff as "President Meese" and! be adept at playing off the se retaries of state and defen against each other.

Many Democratic critic including Mr. Cyrus Vance, ti former state secretary say that the Reagan administration has foreign policy. That is not qui right. The main lines of its foreit policy are quite clear - it is toug uncompromising, clear-cut an anti-Communist.

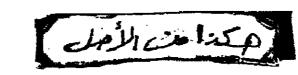
What is more debatable whether it has been fully thoug through. In a powerful critique the policy, Mr. Frank Church, tl respected former Democrat chairman of the Senate Forey Relations Committee, argued th the Reagan administration's vic of the Soviet Union "fails to di tinguish between the Russe leaders' more fanciful aspiratio

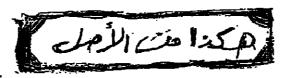
and their actual capabilities." He pointed out the inco sistencies in maintaining as M Reagan and Mr. Haig do, th communism is beginning to f apart and arguing that enormo new resources must be devoted combatting it.

Vietnam, according to the school of thought, showed to U.S. public opinion would not p up for ever with a foreign poli that disregarded basic America values of decency, honesty at respect for human rights.

For the moment, Mr. Regard managed to carry public opinion with his image of the decent go even if he is a right-wing hawk. is also a lucky and popular par ident. But he cannot be sure th he will never be called to accoun for some of the seeds he may toda be sowing on a whiriwind.

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# ordan's economy: 1980 and beyond (Part IV)

ITOR'S NOTE: This is the fourth and tof a series embodying major excerpts of a yal Scientific Society (RSS) report on Jorn's economy. In the first three parts, pubned consecutively on Tuesday, Wednesday 1 Thursday, the authors, Dr. Bassam A. ket and Dr. Bassam J. Asfour, of the RSS inomics department, presented a survey of important sectors of the economy and an essment of the whole economy outlining

concerns and suggesting possible nedies. Today, they offer a brief evaluon of the country's first five-year plan 76-1980) and the objectives of the second *'81-1985*).

#### 1e five-year plan (1976-1980)

valuation

HIS SECTION, we present a short digression of Jordan's first year plan, its aims and the achievements at the end of 1980. To with, the targets of the Plan were set out as follows:

Achieving a 12 per cent annual real growth rate of GDP during lan years.

Augmenting the reliance on domestic revenues in the govent budget. These revenues were set to rise by a real 16.5 per per annum lifting firstly their share of total revenues from 50 in to 6% per cent in 19%0, and secondly, their proportion to current iditures from 61.5 per cent in 1975 to 91.5 per cent in 1980.

Reducing the trade deficit from JD 153 million in 1975 to JD nillion in 1980.

Distributing development gains among the regions. achieve these aims, the Plan called for a total investment ling figure of JD 765 million at 1975 prices, during the five-year I from 1976. Of this total, the private sector was to invest JD nillion. Finance was supposed to be as follows: 31 per cent from at budgetary surplus, 47 per cent from external borrowing, 19 ent from internal borrowing and the remaining 3 per cent from in capital transfers.

achievements

On investment expenditure: The total actual figure of

investment spending exceeded the planned target by 10.3 per cent. However, the distribution is very uneven. The productive sectors spent 80 per cent only of what was planned, due mainly to the fact that the Maqarin Dam was not built. New large industrial ventures included potash and fertiliser projects while the existing phosphate, petroleum refinery and cement projects were enlarged. This is baside many intermediary industries for export and for import substitution. Infrastructural spending showed a 26 per cent increase on planned targets. Most significant was -- road construction, expansion of Aqaba Port, the Queen Alia Airport, new telephone exchanges, expansion of the water and electricity grids. Lastly, the spending on social services also exceeded planned targets by 58 per cent. The biggest expansionary influence was housing and if that sector was excluded from the figures, the achievement drops to 71 per cent only of the planned target.

- 2. On gross domestic product: The planned real growth rate of GDP of 11.9 per cent per annum was not met; the actual real rate did not exceed 9.6 per cent. With the exception of the agricultural (by a very small margin of 0.4 per cent) and the construction sector (by a healthy 9 per cent), all other sectors failed to achieve their planned growth rates. We should mention the industry and mining, and the electricity and water sectors. The former sector's performance was hampered by slow growth of phosphate production (target 7 million tons in 1980 compared to an actual production of 3.9 million tons) and the delay in starting of production of the fertiliser project. The reasons behind the construction sector's high real growth rate of 13 per cent per annum were firstly, increased investment in the sector, and secondly, the availability of finance from banks and worker remittances
- 3. On domestic revenues in the government budget: The plan envisaged a real annual growth rate of 16.5 per cent, taking the domestic revenues to JD 189.2 million at 1975 prices. However, the achieved growth rate was no more than 9 per cent per annum and total domestic revenues reached JD 129.5 million only. All components of domestic revenues did not rise at the specified rates. On the other hand, total government revenues (including grants and foreign borrowing) grew by an overall 9 per cent annually whilst the plan envisaged 9.4 per cent. In overall terms, the shortfall in domestic revenues growth was made good by the large rise in grants received in 1979 and 1980. As a result, the actual ratio of domestic revenues to total revenues was in 1976, 1977 and 1978 higher than what the plan envisaged, and ratio lower in 1979 and 1980.
- 4. On the reduction of the trade deficit: Clearly, this was not done. The plan envisaged the trade deficit falling from JD 184 million in 1975 to JD 131 million in 1980. Instead the trade deficit is expected to be well above JD 500 million (JD290 million in 1975 prices). Whilst the plan envisaged a 9 per cent growth in imports, the realised figure was over 23 per cent annually. This was due to: firstly, the expectations were far too great; secondly, the great leap in worker remittances in 1975 and 1976 was reflected on greater demand for consumption, hence the rise in imports; thirdly, the plan expected phosphate earnings to reach JD 81 million in 1980, whereas this will not be more than JD 45 million in current prices (JD 26 million in 1975 prices).
- 5. On distributing the development gains among the regions: Although this target is rather a qualitative one, there is no credible way to check the degree of its implementation, especially in the short

run. Nevertheless, its importance and relevance to the conditions of Jordan cannot be over-emphasised. The means for distributing the development gains among the regions, has been, during this plan period, to create projects in the North, the South and the Jordan Valley, and hope that these projects will translate themselves into increased incomes of the inhabitants in those regions. As we have no measure of that, and whilst we call for a fresh survey to be carried out, on the distribution of income and wealth in Jordan, we present some tentative results of a survey carried out in 1973 by the Royal Scientific Society's economics department.

#### The five-year plan (1981-1985)

THE MAIN THEME of the new plan stems from the existing basis of the economy, coupled with the experience gained during the 1970s. The new Plan should take Jordan to new levels of activity on all

- 1. Achieving a real growth rate in G.D.P. of 10.4 per cent per annum: Value added in agriculture will rise by 7 per cent as a result of expansion of irrigated land in the Jordan Valley, improving methods, and by expanding animal products. Value added in industry and mining is set to rise by 17 per cent annually by the completion of projects started during the previous plan, and improving chemical and manufacturing industries.
- 2. Increasing productive sectors' share in G.D.P.: This share will rise from 38.8 per cent in 1980 to 44.8 per cent in 1985.
- 3. Active participation in the Arab Development Decade: The new plan calls for co-operation among Arab states and the setting up of joint ventures especially in infrastructure.
- 4. Increasing the government's domestic revenues: These will be raised to cover at least all of the current expenditures with extras to contribute towards capital expenditure. The ratio of domestic revenues to GDP is set to rise from 22.2 per cent in 1980 to 35.4 per
- 5. Reducing the ratio of the deficit in Goods and Services Balance: Although the deficit in goods and services will rise from JD 525 million in 1980 to JD 653 million in 1985, however, its ratio to GNP will fall from 51.9 per cent to 41.5 per cent. Imports of goods and services will grow by 11.9 per cent annually compared to the exports planned growth figure of 19.8 per cent.
- 6. Providing basic necessities to the citizen and reducing disparity
- 7. Improving the labour force: The plan aims at expanding education facilities and vocational training and increasing women's participation in the labour force.

Basic assumptions

The expansion of public participation in development. 2. Continuation of a free but mixed economy policy, and further fostering of private initiatives.

3. Continuation of Arab countries' support, and that of financing houses. This is envisaged through, firstly continuing budgetary support; secondly, participating in various projects; thirdly, considering Jordan as a centre for Arab cooperation: fourthly, making available the necessary finance on easy terms; and lastly, facilitating trade exchanges between Jordan and other Arab countries, particularly neighbouring ones.

Policies and methods

- A. On an economic level:
- Strengthening the free economy, and valuing private initiative. This allows for participation between the private and public sectors especially in large projects.
- 2. Achieving a better coordination between the government's fiscal and monetary policies on the one hand, and the requirements of development on the other. Fiscal policy shall aim at increasing national saving and exports and realising a better distribution of the gains of development. Monetary policy shall lead to increasing participation of the banking system in financing projects within an environment of monetary stability to capture inflationary pressures.
- 3. The government will adopt policies of imposing a minimum level of income sufficient for man's basic needs. This will be linked to productivity and cost of living changes such that it will achieve a better distribution of wealth on a long term basis.
- 4. The government shall work to find new energy and water
- B. On a social level:

SOUTCES.

- 1. The government shall adopt policies to achieve the highest level of welfare in the society; better health services, basic necessities in education, spreading benefits of intrastructure.
- Labour policies shall aim at expansion of base and at regulating labour relations. Women's participation shall be enhanced. The social security system shall also be expanded.
- 3. Vocational training policies shall be pursued to improve abilities .... etc.
- 4. All subsidies on supply and petroleum products shall be phased out to allow greater spending on development projects.
- C. On Arab Co-Operation:

The government shall persist in supporting joint Arab action and the proper use of Arab resources to accelerate Arab development.

Total investment expenditure shall amount to JD 2800 million during 1981-1985. Of these, 53.4 per cent shall go to productive sectors and tourism, and the remainder to intra-structure, socialsector and services.

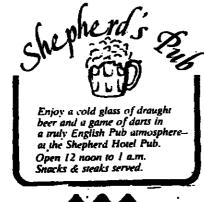
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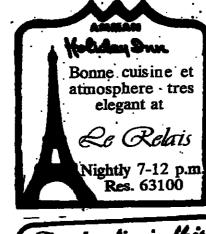
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**ECONOMIC NEWS BRIEFS** 

## CONOMY

#### W.K. pipeline project dropped

LONDON, Sept. 11 (R) — The government announced today it was dropping a £2.7 billion (five billion dollar) scheme to build an underwater pipeline to recover gas at present burnt off by oil rigs in

Junior Energy Minister Hamish Gray told a press conference that the government had hoped the private sector would provide most of the finance but it had demanded too many concessions.

The decision means the collapse of the scheme to bring ashore gas from at least 20 oil and gas fields through a 420-mile (670-km) integrated pipeline network.

It was estimated that natural gas worth some £125 billion (\$45 billion) could be recovered. The scheme, which would have been the largest single investment in Britain for decades, would have also poosted the construction and chemical industries.

The scheme began to flounder after oil companies and banks showed themselves reluctant to risk investment without government-backed guarantees.

They told the government they could not inject funds into the scheme until they were sure the pipeline would be definitely completed and they sought assurances they would receive a satisfactory

price for their gas from the state-owned gas corporation.

## The rising cost of West German wanderlust

Moscow to name Western firm

MOSCOW, Sept. 11 (R) - The Soviet Union is expected to name

a West European firm soon to build 41 pumping stations for a

planned natural gas pipeline from Siberia to Western Europe, a

Mr. Peter Schreiber, a director of the West German firm Aeg-

Telefunken Anlagentechnik, said the deal was worth about \$3.2

billion but that his firm and two other competitors were still

The other two firms are Mannesmann, also of West Germany,

Other business sources said the deal, part of a project to deliver

The planned deal has been criticised by the United States,

about 45 billion cubic metres of Siderian natural gas a year to

West European countries, would probably be signed by the end of

which maintains the gas deliveries would make Western Europe

and Nuovo Pignone of Italy, he told a press conference at a

for \$3.2b pipeline project

West German businessman said today.

discussing prices with Soviet officials.

communications exhibition here.

too dependent on the Soviet Union.

By Kevin Done

FRANKFURT: West Germans are taking pleas by their cabinet ministers to sweat out the country's present economic problems lying down ... mostly on foreign beaches.

Despite recession, the highest unemployment rates for nearly 30 years and falling real incomes, west Germans are proving unwiling to forgo what many regard as their right to two or three foreign nolidays a year.

Spending on foreign travel in the first six months of this year jumped again by more than 10 per cent to over DM 17 billion (\$6.8

billion). West Germans' lust for travel has for long been a major burden on the balance of payments. But the billions of D-Marks spent abroad each year by West German tourists did not matter too much during the fat years when the formidable success of the country's export machine was more than enough to underwrite improving West German life-styles.

the country has been living increasingly above its means. The West German predilection for expensive foreign goods and services helped to produce a deficit of DM 29 billion in the current account in 1980, and it is unlikely to be much smaller this year.

Once acquired, expensive habits die hard in the Federal Republic. A report from the Bundesbank, the West German central bank, shows that West Germany is still without rival in the amount it spends on foreign

Last year, West Germany alone accounted for nearly a quarter of all the money spent worldwide on travel. Expenditure of no less than £21 billion put it in a league on its

Heading the second division is the U.S., whose population managed to spend some \$10 billion abroad last year on travel, followed by the U.K. with \$6.5 billion, France with \$6 billion and Japan with \$4.5 billion.

The growth of West German tourist spending in recent years has outpaced developments in other leading industrial countries. It now accounts for 2.5 per cent of West Germany's gross national For the last two years, however, product (GNP), compared with 1 per cent in France and only 0.5 per cent in Japan, Italy and the U.S. Of course, West Germany's

geographic and economic position in Europe is ideally suited to foreign travel. At the same time, it does not enjoy an ideal climate, the borders are open, there are no foreign exchange controls, it is one of the most prosperous countries in the world, and as a major exporter and importer it plays a leading role in world business travel.

West Germany itself is quite a popular goal for foreign tourists, who last year spent some DM 12 billion in the country. However, West German tourists parted with nearly DM 38 billion abroad last year, leaving the country with easily the biggest deficit on its travel account of any country in the

world. Last year the deficit amounted to \$14 billion compared with a deficit of only \$4 billion accumulated by Japan and \$3 billion by the Netherlands.

West German inclination to spend much of their savings on expensive foreign holidays is nothing new. But the magnitude of the spending is setting new

higher priority in the German house-

In 1971, the Federal Republic already had a \$2 billion travel account deficit, a short way ahead of the U.S. with £1.8 billion. Whereas the U.S., has managed in the last decade to reduce the deficit virtually to nil West German foreign travel spending has mushroomed.

Last year's DM 38 billion

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expenditure abroad represented explosive growth compared with the DM 22 billion in 1975, DM 10 billion in 1970 and DM 6 billion in 1968. Even after taking account of inflation and changes in exchange

British Airways to cut 9000 jobs

sary to solve the worst financial crisis in its history.

made in administrative services, the company said.

B.A's entire cargo fleet is to be withdrawn.

LONDON, Sept. 11 (R) — British Airways (B.A.), the state-

owned airline, announced plans yesterday to cut 9,000 jobs and

suspend 16 international routes in a package of measures to stem

The airline, which lost £141 million (\$253 million) last year,

outlined a series of economies that it said were tough but neces-

It said there would be no pay rises until September 1982 and staff would be cut by 9,000 by June next year.

Passenger services will be cut by five per cent this winter and

Sixteen international passenger routes from Heathrow, Gat-

wick and regional airports will be suspended and eight British Airways stations, including Prestwick, Scotland, and some in

Two regional engineering bases and an air training college will

be closed and trainee intakes suspended. Further cuts will also be

stantial. From 1975 to 1980 the number of hotel rooms booked by West Germans abroad grew by about a

rates the growth has been sub-

Europe, will be closed.

West Germans account for nearly a quarter of all the money spent worldwide on travel. The drain on the balance of payments worries the Bundesbank, but foreign holidays take a hold budget than any other item.

> third, for example, and from 1970, to 1980 it more than doubled. West German spending on foreign travel has been growing two to three times faster than the general As the Bundesbank points out,

foreign holidays take a higher priority than almost any other item in private household budgets. Foreign holidays have long ago ceased to be regarded by West Germans as a luxury item. "Foreign travel is seen as a necessity that can scarcely be given up," says the central bank.

The tourist boom has been given fresh impetus by the steady growth in individuals' holiday given by West German employers has now jumped to 28 working

days -- nearly six weeks a year --compared with only 21 working days in 1970. In addition several industries pay an extra holiday cash bonus over and above the weekly wage.

West Germans have been very successful in their holiday claims and the Federal Republic has more public holidays than any other EEC country. Bavaria, for instance, has no less than 14 public holidays a year compared with only 9 in the U.K. Ireland and Denmark, 10 in Luxembourg and 11 in Belgium and France.

The main goal for West Germans travelling abroad is inevitably the sun and Italy is the most popular country. West Germans' travel spending there last year totalled DM 7.8 billion, and was followed by Austria, DM 7.4 billion, Switzerland, DM 3.9 billion, France, DM 3.1 billion and Spain, DM 2.4 billion.

High inflation rates abroad combined with the weakening of the D-Mark are beginning to make West German tourists more price conscious. Last year many decided not to go to Spain because of the sudden surge in hotel and restaurant prices.

West German tourists are also less predictable, as the travel industry is finding to its cost. More people are showing an interest in organising part of their

holidays themselves, a move away from mass package tourism. Any suggestion that the Govemment should curb West German travel to try to lower the current account deficit would be

Financial Times news feature

### Shipping conference seeks more business for developing World

CARABALLEDA, Venezucia, Sept. 11 (R)—Representatives of the world shipping industry have ended a conference here with a commitment to seek a larger share of international freight business for developing countries.

About 250 delegates representing shipowners, brokers, insurers and shipping financiers took part in the conference, which was sponsored by the Paris-based International Chamber of Com-

A final communique yesterday outlined a four-point programme aimed at building up the maritime fleets of Third World countries,

and urged an end to political confrontation in global negotiations on the issue.

The communique called for less international regulation of the shipping market by bodies such as the U.N. Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) and urged instead an increased role for free enterprise in North-South shipping negotiations.

Developing countries last year accounted for more than 50 per cent of world scaborne trade of 3.63 billion tonnes but only nine per cent of the world merchant fleet of 657 million tonnes. according to ICC statistics.

#### **LONDON EXCHANGE** RATES

LONDON, Sept. 11 (R) — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies and gold against the dollar at the close of trading on the London foreign exchange and bullion markets today.

One sterling One U.S. dollar

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5.1850/60 5.9770/90 7.5150/75 One ounce of gold 450.00/451.00 U.S. dollar Canadian dollar West German marks Dutch guilders Swiss francs Belgian francs French francs Italian lire Japanese yen

Swedish crowns Norwegian crowns Danish crowns

#### LONDON STOCK MARKET

LONDON, Sept. 11 (R) — Yesterday's Wall Street gain promoted some demand but turnover was small and at 1500 the F.T. index was up 3.4 at 552.0.

Government bonds showed net rises of up to 1/8 while equity leaders recorded modest advances after an irregular trend, deal-

Gold shares were slightly active during the afternoon session but prices were still mixed while North American issues were

GEC opened 12p higher at 264 but closed at 757 after fairly active two way interest. Unilever, Guest Keen and Lucaron between 5p and 7p. ICI halved a 4p gain while Shell, B.P. and Glaxo showed net falls of 2p to 4p.
Insurances were fairly active but off highest levels, Banks

showed scattered mixed movements in light volume.

Channel Tunnel, at 159p, added 12p to yesterday's 17p game after the formal announcement that France and Britain will start joint studies next month to build a tunnel under the English Channel

## **ARABIC CLASSES**

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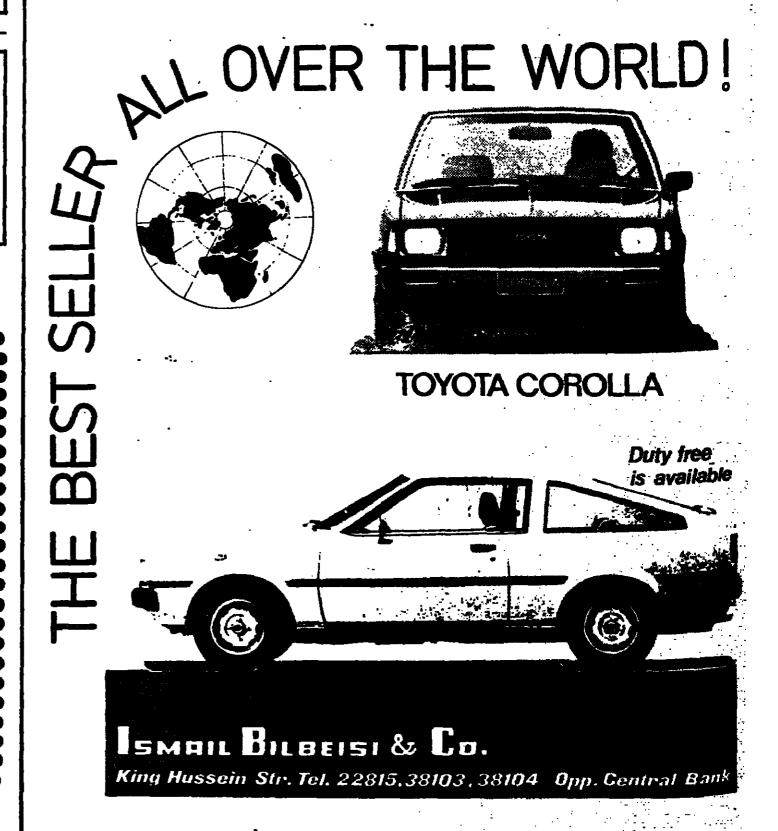
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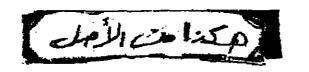
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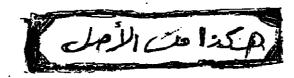
The next course commences on Saturday, September 19th. Registration is from 12th to 17th September between 9 and 12 noon and 4 to 6 p.m. Testing starts at 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on the above dates. -











### hi retains Miandad as skipper

CHI, Pakistan, Sept. 11 (A.P.) — The Board of Cricket of Pakistan (BCCP) retained Javed Miandad as captain of istan cricket team to tour Australia later this year. The was made by a four member committee consisting of chair-12 Butt, Saleem Altaf, Salahuddin and Wallis Mathias. oard also announced a 16-member team for the Australian sisting of: Javed Miandad, captain, Majid Khan, Rizwanus Muddasar Nazar, Zaheer Abbas, Wasim Raja, Wasim Bari. han, Sarfraz Nawaz, Iqbal Qasim, Sikandar Bakht, Mansoor Tahir Naqash, Ejaz Fakih, Ashraf Ali, reserve wicket-and Saleem Malick.

#### 3. beats New Zealand

LUMPUR, Sept. 11 (R) — United Arab Emirates (UAE) Zealand 1-0 in the Merdeka football tournament last night. ew Zealanders, whose first team are still contenders for a he World Cup finals, seemed bogged down by a muddy pitch outmanoeuvred by lighter opponents.

ninth minute Hassan Ali let fly from 40 yeard (me'res) and

ter Sandy Davie just managed to tip the ball over the bar. ealand hit back and Ian Marshall missed good chances in ecession, once colliding with goalkeeper Saeed Salbouk, second half only fine work by Salbouk denied the New ers a goal.

65th minute Hassan Ali sprinted the length of the field and Abdulla flicked his pass beyone Davie's reach.



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#### GOREN BRIDGE

HARLES H. GOREN 31 by Chicago Tribune

'ast-West vulnerable. Ath you hold: 1743 ♥A82 ♦A + AQ6 dding has proceeded: West North East Pass 2 > Pass Pass 30 Pass

action do you take? ou have enough to bid and we would not fault you chose three no: -partner should have st six good diamonds n outside entry. ver, a bid of three might be more flex-Partner can still bid no trump over that, but w give him the chance; now a mild spade rence. If he holds hing like J-x of spades, pades should be the or game contract.

Both vulnerable, as you hold: "J5 ♥K98 ♦ 107 ♣AQ76" sidding has proceeded: North East South Pass Pass Dble. 2 0 Pass ?

action do you take? By removing you double ne no trump to two onds, partner has shown wak hand and a long dia-A suit - with any amount rength, he would have ad for penalties. You howhere to go, and any est to improve the concould lead to disaster.

As South, volnerable,

72 VKJ83 0J62472 idding has proceeded: South West North Pass Pass Dble. IV Pass 3 V

t action do you take? Even though partner's is not forcing and you have much of a hand,: should go on to four. ts. Partner has consted for nine tricks

regardless of what you hold. Viewed in that light, your trump honors and doubleton club are quite adequate to undertake game.

Q.4-Neither vulnerable, as South you hold: +K97 |♥ AQ10976 ♦ AQ3+8 The bidding has proceeded: South West North East 1 ♥ Pass 2 ♦ Pass

What do you bid now? A .- Your primary duty is to tell partner about your good hand and fine suit-you can support his suit later. A bid of two hearts doesn't express the value of your hand, nor does three diamonds, and a jump to four diamonds bypasses three no trump. Three hearts solves all your problems.

Q.5—As South, vulnerable, you hold: **♦872 ♥ AQJ107 ♦ KQ6 ♣ AQ** The bidding has proceeded: South West North East Pass 2 > Pass Pass 3 ♡ Pass

Pass 4 ♥

Pass

What action do you take? A .- You have described a very strong hand with your high reverse and subsequent support of partner's suit. Despite that, partner has shown no inclination to proceed past game. It seems you surely have two spade losers on the hand. You could bid five hearts to ask partner for a spade control, but that runs the risk of finding him with three spade losers! Pass.

Q.6-Both vulnerable, as South you hold: ♥J8762 ♦AQ83 +J1073 Partner opens the bidding with one spade. What do you

respond? A.-You have neither the values nor the suit quality to respond at the two-level, but you cannot afford to pass—your side might easily have a game. The only solution is to respond one no trump despite the void in opener's suit. Obviously, you: will raise vigorously if partner introduces a second suit.

#### Dramatic victories in U.S. Open

NEW YORK, Sept. 11 (R) — Bjorn Borg reached the semifinals of the U.S. Open tennis championships with a dramatic 7-6, 6-3, 6-7, 7-6 victory over Roscoe Tanner Friday.

The 25-year-old Swede, bidding for his first U.S. Open title. faces the winner of tonight's all-American quarter-final clash between Jimmy Connors and Eliot Teltscher today.

Borg, defeated by Tanner in the quarter-finals two years ago. and the winner at the same stage last year, beat the big-serving American at his own game.

The second seed served powerfully and accurately throughout and dropped his service only once during the two hour and 49 minutes match. He broke Tanner's powerful delivery twice. · Borg also attacked the net far more often than usual, scoring repeatedly with sharply-angled volley winners. Ninth seeded Tanner was erratic throughout with his volleys, particularly off the

Although he hammered in 12 aces against five by Borg. Tanner's inability to manage most of his first serves ultimately led to his defeat.

After saving two match points to win the third set 7-4 on tie-break. Tanner appeared en route to squaring the match when he went ahead 3-0 in the fourth set tie-break and then reached set point at 6-5. But Borg saved that point when Tanner netted a backhand.

Tanner then fought off a third match point with Borg leading 7-6, but Borg reached his fourth match point at 8-7 when Tanner drove out a forehand volley. The Swede then finished the clash with a cross court backhand off Tanner's soft second serve.

In one of the most dramatic matches of the tournament, the top-seeded men's doubles team of John McEnroe and Peter Fleming advanced to the final when they edged Australian veternas John Newcombe and Fred Stolle 6-2, 6-2, 5-7, 6-7, 7-6.

In the final today McEnroe and Fleming will meet Heinz Gunthardt of West Germany and Peter McNamara of Australia who advanced earlier today when they beat Fritz Buehning and Ferdi Taygan of the United States 7-6, 7-6, 6-4.

#### JORDAN ELECTRICITY **AUTHORITY**

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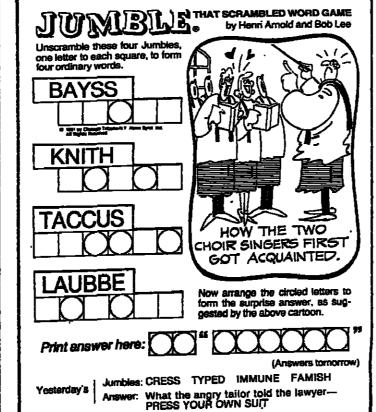
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Documents will be available against nonrefundable amount of JD 20. JEA is prepared to send copies to Contractors outside Jordan against the transfer of the above shown fee.

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"All you need for skywriting today is a very long pencil."



### World weightlifting championships open today

LILLE, France, Sept. 11 (R) -Socialist countries took all but three of the 30 medals available at the last world weightlifting championships and their domination threatens to be as complete at this year's event which begins Satur-

The 10 weight classes begin with the flyweights 'kuder' and end on Sept. 20 with the superheavyweights kover is in this division that the Soviet Union. holders of the 30 world records, have found a young successor to Vasiy Alexeyev, as the world's strongest man.

Alexeyev, who won eight successive world or Olympic titles between 1970 and 1977, finally retired after failing to total at the Moscow Olympics.

Compatriot Sultan Rakhmanov took the gold medal in Moscow. but both the performance, of Alexeyev have been eclipsed by 23-year-old Andrey Pissarenko.

Although weighing only 124 kg (compared to Rakhmanov's Moscow bodyweight of 145.2 kg and Alexeyev's 161.75 kg), he has exceeded all Alexeyev's best fig-

Pissarenko first set a world snatch best of 201.5 kg and earlier this month deprived Alexeyev of his last remaining world record by totalling 447.5 kg for the combined best efforts in the two lifts of snatch and clean and jerk.

Soviet coach Yuri Sandalov said today he expected Pissarenko to compete alone in the superheavyweights partly because of his grap form and also because

Rakhmanov has a-slight injury. Unless he starts top high with his weight selections, Pissarenko seems certain to maintain the Russians' record of having lost the title of "the world's strongest man" only twice since 1957.

Alexander Medvedev, who started the run, said today of the latest Soviet success: "He is really determined to carry the world record total to 460kg and I think he has the ability to do it."

The Soviet squad will be hoping to begin the championships with a victory in the flyweight class. According to provisional entry lists, Kanybek Osmanoliev, world and Olympic champion, faces the three men he edged out at the Moscow games.

#### **Peanuts**

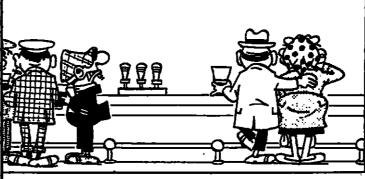








#### **Andy Capp**







#### Mutt'n' Jeff









PORECAST FOR SATURDAY, SEPT. 12, 1981

### YOUR DAILY from the Carroll Righter Institute

GENERAL TENDENCIES: You have an opportunity to do some serious thinking that could lead to a more secure future. You can now express your personal aims to trusted friends and relatives.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) A good day to get in touch with as many good friends as you can and come to better terms with them. Show your appreciation. TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Study your progress

where career is concerned and know where to make improvements. Don't neglect to pay bills. GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Get out of that rut and

engage in more interesting and profitable outlets. A good time to follow your hunches. MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Come to a better understanding with loved one and work together in

harmony. Avoid a troublemaker. LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) A fine day for discussing community affairs with neighbors. Study an outside venture well before going ahead with plans.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) A good time to engage infavorite hobby with congenials. Much happiness with loved one is possible at this time. LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Make appointments early

for recreational activities you wish to engage in later. Attend the social tonight. SCORPIO (Oct.  $\bar{23}$  to Nov. 21) If you cooperate more

with family members, you'll find that harmony is restored in the home. Improve your surroundings. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) A perfect day to make calls on friends and to make plans for the future. At-

tend a social affair this evening. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Put those clever ideas to work and contact proper persons who can be of great

help to you. Take health treatments. AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Friendliness is the. keynote now and you can easily impress others with your

fine personality. Express happiness. PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) New ideas you have need to be thought out more carefully before taking action. Ideal evening for romantic happiness.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY ... he or she will be one who loves people, but should be taught to discipline the mind and discriminate between those who can be helpful and those who are detrimental to progress. There's much happiness in this chart.

"The Stars impel, they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to you!

#### THE Daily Crossword by James Barrick

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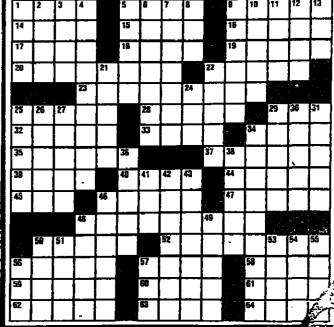
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## Thatcher-Mitterrand talks fruitful

LONDON, Sept. 11 (R) — Britain and France announced today they are reviving plans to build a channel tunnel, a symbol of warmer relations between the two countries.

#### Tanzania's Salim poses sole threat to Waldheim

UNITED NATIONS, Sept. 11 (R) — United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim faces a formidable opponent in Salim Ahmed Salim, foreign minister of Tanzania, as he seeks an unprecedented third term in office, diplomats said today.

Mr. Waldheim announced his candidacy yesterday, pitting himself against Mr. Salim, who has the endorsement of the 50-member Organisation of African Unity (OAU) and may have support from the Arab league.

Diplomatic sources here said they expected the Non-aligned movement to endorse Mr. Salim's candidacy later this month or in October, during one of its frequent caucuses.

Essentially, the choice is one for the Security Council, where the Assembly in 1979-80.

five permanent members--the U.S., Soviet Union, China, France and Britain--have the power of

Diplomats here believe that China poses Mr. Waldheim's biggest obstacle. The Chinese at first vetoed his re-election in 1976, in what was interpreted as a signal that they wanted a Third

World figure in the office. Later the veto was withdrawn to permit his reappointment, but until now there was no rival with Mr. Salim's standing.

Still under 40 years old, he was for 10 years Tanzania's chief U.N. delegate, chairing the important special committee against colonialism, serving two years on the Security Council and climaxing his career as president of the General

#### Detente likely to be top issue when Haig visits Belgrade

BELGRADE, Sept. 11 (R) -Yugoslav leaders are likely to encourage U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig to try to renew East-West detente in talks here tomorrow, informed sources said

Mr. Haig arrives in Belgrade from a brief stop in Spain where he is scheduled to meet Crown Prince Fahd of Saudi Arabia. He is due to leave on Sunday for Bonn and West Berlin, where some 30,000 people are expected to take part in anti-American demonstration, but Mr. Haig can expect some firm talking from a Communist Yugoslav leadership that has grown more nervous as the Reagan administration carries out its declared intention to confront what it regards as Soviet expan-

As a country sandwiched between East and West, Non-aligned Yugoslavia tries to be evenhanded in its relations with both.

It agrees with Washington that the Soviet Union and Vietnam should withdraw their troops from Afghanistan and Kampuchea jets.

respectively. And it believes that Poland should be left alone to

resolve its own problems. But the differences with the United States are wide, and privately Yugoslav officials profess themselves greatly disturbed by the U.S. stance.

In recent speeches Yugoslav leaders have been repeating the theme of detente and disarmament through discussions and negotiations. The sources said this would most probably be continued in Mr. Haig's talks with Foreign Minister Josip Vrhovec.
The sources added that Mr.

Vrhovec would like to hear about prospects for talks Mr. Haig is due to hold with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko later this month in New York.

During their two hours of formal talks here, they could discuss Poland, South Africa, the Middle East and the Mediterranean, where Yugoslav concern was heightened last month when U.S.

By Bernard Melunsky

Both the Soviet and Afghan officials sought to explain new prop-

osals by Kabul on finding a settlement to the situation in Afghanistan where an estimated 85,000 Soviet troops have been battling rebels since Moscow's military intervention in December 1979.

"What we are seeing seems to be a very insurprising campaign on

the part of the Russians to appear to be reasonable ahead of the

coming U.N. General Assembly session and so try to prevent a

critical resolution on Afghanistan," commented a Western dip-Afghanistan is also likely to come up at the Commonwealth heads

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and French President Francois Mitterrand at a joint press conference following talks in London over the past few days. Both sides described the discussions as very friendly and very

constructive. Mrs. Thatcher told reporters that within a month officials would begin a joint study of the eight different projects which exist for a tunnel under the 37 kilometres English Channel, an enterprise first mooted by Napoleon in 1802.

It was not at first clear who would foot the bill. Mrs. Thatcher said Britain wanted its share of the cost to be financed by private capital. Mr. Mitterrand was non-

The president told the press conference: "We are watching where we put our feet, but we are News that the tunnel file was to

be reopened, seven years after Britain cancelled a previous joint venture on cost grounds, was the highlight of a news conference which showed that, despite wide emment. political differences. France's new Socialist president and Britain's unbending Conservative prime minister have established excel-

This rapport has spilt over into official Anglo-French ties, often difficult under Mr. Mitterrand's predecessor. Valery Giscard

lent personal relations.

Mrs. Thatcher told reporters today: "We have had excellent talks in a very friendly and very constructive atmosphere," while the French president called them fruitful, useful and precise, adding that he looked forward to an Anglo-French "revival."

constitution prolonging military

rule for at least another eight

vears, a term which is to end in

1989 with presidential elections.

-In the meantime, all political

activities remain banned and the

The government has come

under attack from the Roman

Catholic Church for alleged

human rights violations, including

withstand that kind of threat."

NATO drills start this month

where a "real" pattle for Europe would take place.

West Europe under Soviet attack from land and sea.

BRUSSELS, Sept. 11 (A.P.) - More than 400,000 North Atlantic

Treaty Organisation soldiers, sailors and airmen are taking part in

large-scale war games this month in the muddy fields and cold seas

The NATO manoeuvers, which will reach their height activity in

mid-September, are designed to test how well allied troops work

together and how quickly the United States could come to the aid of a

"In a few short years we've seen the steady growth of the Soviet

navy from a coastal force to a deep water navy that can pose a real

threat to shipping lanes," said an allied briefing officer involved in

war games planning. "More than ever we have to test if we can

Current Soviet naval exercises in the Baltic involve eight troop

landing ships, the 30,000-ton aircraft carrier Kiev and more than 50

other vessels. The ships are supporting land manoeuvres among the

NATO war games, but it is not yet known if they will accept.

Soviet-bloc observers have been invited to three of the 26 separate

The final naval stage is set for Sept. 29 through Oct. 15, when U.S.

No ships in that exercise will be used for surveillence of the Soviet

"shadowed" by allied ships normally detailed to such assignments.

ic exercises, officials said. The Soviet exercises will be

Atlantic Command forces will exercise in the Baltic Sea with units

biggest staged by the Soviet Union since World War II.

from Denmark, West Germany and the Netherlands.

the continued use of torture.

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unions are powerless.

#### Chile gets another eight years of Pinochet's rule

SANTIAGO, Sept. 11 (R) - Chilean voters voted for a new Chilean President Augusto Pinochet celebrates eight years of authoritarian rule today giving no sign of stackening his grip on

The 65-year-old army general embarks on eight more years as constitutional president under what is officially described as a period of transition towards democracy.

But critics, including the middle-of-the-road Christian Democrats of former president' Eduardo Frei, argue that the country is moving the other way. towards increased repression.

Mr. Frei, who ruled Chile as democratically-elected president from 1964 to 1970, recently accused the government of sowing division, hate and injustice.

Without naming them, Gen. Pinochet responded by threatening tough measures against Christian Democrats he saw as guilty of collaborating indirectly with international communism."

He did not spell out the measures but a few days later four politicians, including Christian Democrat Jaime Castillo, the head of Chile's human rights commission, were expelled from the country.

Gen. Pinochet overthrew the socialist government of president Salvador Allende on Sept. 11, 1973. President Allende died the

A year ago today, 67 per cent of

Kabul starts autumn offensive to soften up U.N. General

Delhi to explain the proposals.

including F-16 fighter jets.

ter Shah Mohammad Dost when he followed Mr. Firyubin to New

"What we are seeing seems to be a very unsurprising campaign on of whether President Babrak Karmal would take part in the proposed

talks as head of government or leader of Afghanistan's ruling Marxist

Both Pakistan and Iran have refused to recognise the Karmal

Apart from the Afghan proposals, Mr. Firyubin's talks in Delhi

also touched on the implications of a recent U.S. decision to provide

Pakistan with a three billion dollar military and economic package

### Polish word wargoes on as Russians watch

agency TASS has described the

Gdansk congress of the Polish free

trade union Solidarity as an

"anti-socialist and anti-Soviet

orgy" in its fiercest attack yet on

the movement.
TASS said yesterday the con-

gress's vote of support for free

trade union movements in the rest

of eastern Europe was "openly

provocative and impudent

towards the socialist countries".

In Stockholm, a Swedish

defence staff spokesman said a

Soviet naval force of about 60

ships was steaming southwards in the Baltic sea off the coast of

Lithuania today, apparently to

conduct monoeuvres in the South

intelligence reports that the man-

oeuvres could include landing

exercises on Soviet territory in the

bay of Gdansk, which also washes

The force -- the largest seen in the Baltic since World War II --

had turned southwards yesterday

He could not confirm. Danish

WARSAW, Sept. 11 (R) - A Solidarity regional chief was quoted today as suggesting that the mass labour movement now had leaders capable of forming a national gov-

The suggestion by the Szczecin leader, Marian Jurczyk, was reported by the union's Warsaw news service after Solidarity ended the preliminary stage of its first national congress in Gdansk -with calls for free elections.

The union, pledging to work for a life free of poverty, exploitation. fear and lies, also laid down a seven-point programme for radical change in a direct assault on the type of communist rule imposed in Poland after World

Cries of alarm were raised in Warsaw, Moscow, Prague, East Berlin and other communist capitals but they hardly created a ripple at the Gdansk congress.

The official news agency PAP.

commenting specifically on the demands for a new electoral law, said it was hard to predict how the political situation would develop. Solidarity's parallel threat to boycott government legislation on worker self-management was denounced by the Warsaw branch of the Communist Party today as

"blackmail and political terror." In a new statement, the Polish Foreign Ministry called the appeal an instrument of confrontation and outright interference in the internal affairs of Poland's Soviet bloc allies.

In Moscow, the Soviet news

#### 'sent to Spain NEW YORK, Sept. II (R) -Pablo Picasso's anti-war mas-

Picasso's

'Guernica'

Baltic.

on Poland.

terpiece "Guernica," which the artist vowed would never go to Spain until homeland was freed from dictatorship, left New York's Museum of Modern Art last week on its way to Madrid.

The painting depicts the destruction on April 27, 1937, of the Basque city-shrine of Guernica by the German Luftwaffe which aided rightist forces during the

Spanish Civil War.
Picasso ordered that the work, executed in 1937, remain on loan to the Museum of Modern Art until Spain became a democracy. Dictator Francisco Franco died in 1975, two years after Picasso, and democracy returned soon after.

The work will go on permanent display at an annex of the Prado Museum and will be ready for viewing by Oct. 25, the 100th anniversary of the painter's birth, a Culture Munistry official said in Madrid.

Spain's Culture Minister Inigo Cavero told a news conference here that the return of Guernica has a tremendous amount of symbolism for Spain and a tredous amount of significance for Spain's return to democracy."

Assembly

India says its is concerned about the threat this poses to its security.

Washington has said the arms deals is a response to the Soviet

Nevertheless, it has further soured relations between Washington

Diplomats here say the Kabul government and the Soviet Union are keen to receive India's strongest support during the General

Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's government is uneasy about the

Soviet presence in Afghanistan but has stopped short of outright

condemnation, believing quiet diplomacy is the best way to solve the

and Delhi and highlighted the polarisation on the subcontinent inten-

intervention of Afghanistan and is not directed against India.

sified by the Afghan problem and big power rivalry.

Assembly, which opens on Tuesday.

### WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

China renews invitation to Sadat

PEKING. Sept 11 (R) - China has renewed its invitation Egyptian President Anwar Sadat to visit China, the New Com News Agency said yesterday. The invitation was repeated by Chinese Premier Zhao Ziyang yesterday when he met Egyptia Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Al Deputy Prime withister and President Sadat to Mr. Zhao who was quoted as saying that Mr. Sadat had made unremitting efforts to develop Egyptian-Chinese friendship and cooperation. The New ernment attached great importance to enhancing relations with China. Mr. Ali is scheduled to leave Peking tomorrow morning to North Korea, Egyptian diplomatic sources said.

#### No way to keep M.X. fully safe

WASHINGTON, Sept. 11 (R) - There is no way of south protecting America's new M.X. nuclear missile, a congressional study has said. It said neither planes nor trains, nor trucks, ships, submarines, anti-missile missiles or thousands of holes in the ground, can be certain to protect America's next intercontinents missile system. All of the proposals for basing the new MX nuclear missile are seriously flawed, the study concluded. A 300 page report prepared for congress by the Office of Technology Assessment (OTA) said that putting the accurate, powerful me siles on small submarines was probably the best choice, but he option was free of serious risks and drawbacks. The report assessed proposals to put M.X. on big, slow, fuel-efficient planes, on surface ships, trains or trucks, or in deep underground slos. and of protecting it with an Anti-Ballistic Missile (ABM) system Defence Secretary Caspar Weinberger favours the planes, but the OTA said Soviet missiles could destroy both the planes and their airfields in a surprise attack.

#### Cambodia mentions Indian delegation

BANGKOK, Sept. 11 (A.P.) — India will send a technical delegation to Cambodia in October to assess aid requirements, the radio of the Phnom Penh administration has said. The radio quoted Phnom Penh Foreign Minister Hun Sen, who made recent overseas tour which included Eastern Europe, Middle Eastern countries and India, as saying that India would send delegation composed of staff from various government minisms India is the only influential country outside the Soviet block recognise the Vietnamese-supported government in Phone

#### Iranian in U.S. arrested for plot

LOS ANGELES. Sept. 11 (R) --- An Iranian shopkeeper to been accused of offering to pay \$250,000 for the assassination Princess Ashraf, twin sister of the late Shah of Iran. Mohama Ali Alikhani, who owns a television shop on the outskirts of Lo Angeles, was named in a complaint by the district attorney (prosecutor's) office. He said Alikham was alleged to have de cussed with a business acquaintance having Princess Ashrafmar dered. The acquaintance told the police, he added. Alikhan wa arrested Wednesday and is being held in custody. The depart prosecutor said Princess Ashraf lives mainly in New York but had a home in Santa Barbara, 112 kilometres northwest of La

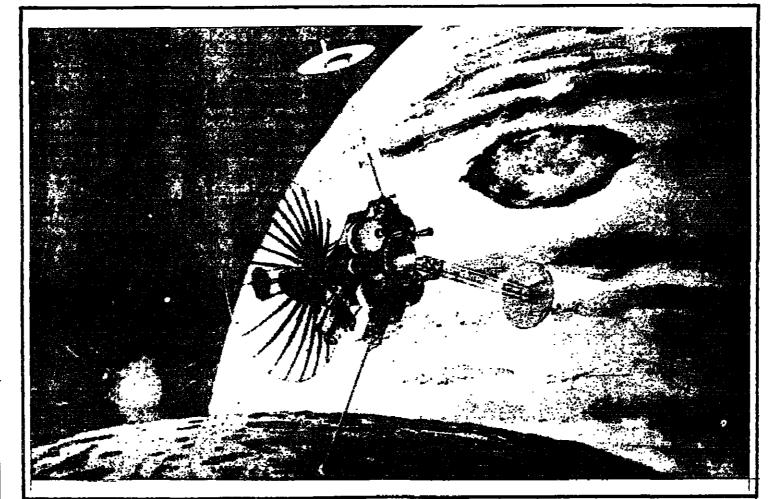
#### Soviet spy calls off hunger strike

SPRINGFIELD, Missouri, Sept. 11 (R) - Recaptured Sovietsp Christopher Boyce has called off a 19-day hunger strike prison officials started force-feeding him. Boyce, 28, protests against being force-fed and applied to a U.S. magistrate for a injunction to prevent authorities doing it again, claiming it viollated his constitutional rights. A spokesman at Springfield's medical centre for federal prisoners, where Boyce is held, said he asked for meals again after twice being force-fed yesterday. Boyon is serving a 40-year jail sentence after being convicted of selling secret satellite documents to the Soviet Union. The magistrate was expected to rule shortly on Boyce's request for an injunction against force-feeding. Boyce first went on hunger strike when recaptured on Aug. 21, some 19 months after escaping from 1 California prison. He said he would rather starve to death that spend the best part of his life in jail.

#### Bigger U.N. role in human rights urged

GENEVA, Sept. 11 (A.P.) — A U.N. experts panel has recommended creation of an office of U.N. High Commissioner of human rights as an "effective way" for the world body to confront rights abuses. The Sub-commission on Prevention of Dis crimination and Protection of Minorities, by 15 votes to 2 with 5 abstentions, approved the measure which noted "it is essential for the United Nations to develop effective ways and means of responding urgently to violations of human rights and fur damental freedoms." A frequent complaint about the UN human rights apparatus is that it is sluggish in responding to suspected rights violations, and often ineffective when it does Theoan Boven, director of the U.N. human rights division, said i a speech early this year. "Our methods for tackling violations... are still in their infancy and often inadequate to the problem

## Galileo takes aim at Jupiter



leans in the background as an orbiter probe takes a look at the planet's leasure satellites. In the mid 1980s a Galileo spacee-amed for the deliver of astronomical study) will be launched toward Jupiter. It will consist of a planetary orbiter and an atmo

phere probe and will relay firsthand data on the Jovian environment back to Earth over a long period of time. The Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Ames Research Centre and Hughes Aircraft Company are developing and building Galil

### Chinese authors -- rappet for criticising the party

PEKING, Sept. 11 (A.P) — China's acting culture minister a denied that a "cold wave" has attacked Chinese literature, but rei erated criticism of authors who seek unrestrained freedom of expe

Meanwhile, Chinese papers have publicised proceedings of a co ference at which writers denounced works that revealed doub about socialism and Communist Party leadership, saying such wor could harm China's advance to modernisation.

The party newspaper People's Daily said Yao Xueying, a writer historical novels, told the meeting: "While we are above white: ashing life, we will not agree to distortion of reality to depict of socialism as ugly or to the claim that the uglier the depiction, t

deeper the significance."

Chinese laders contend that guidelines for writers have n changed. But in recent speeches, Communist Party Channan I Yaobang and Vice Chairman Deng Xiaoping complained that if party had been lax in insisting that literary works uphold socialis

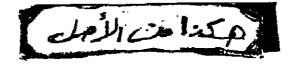
and leadership by the party.

The acting Culture Minister Zhou Weizhi said some writers, seen these principles as "bludgeons," were demanding absolute freed, and the "rights" of extreme individualism.

He described the movie script "Unrequited Love" by Bai Hus, playwright in the army's large cultural establishment, as it resentated of this trend. But he said the attitude toward Bai should! one of education and help.

The script reportedly hints that conditions in China had determ ated under the Communist Party. The main figure, an intellectual persecuted to death and questions are raised about China's future The author came under strong attack in the army newspaper ead this year, but the People's Daily later suggested that the criticism is been verdone.

The Chinese press reported that Bai had not been punished, in he was revising the script and that, meanwhile, he had won a nation award for poetry.



NEW DELHI, Sept. 11 (R) - The Kabul government and its Soviet backers have embarked on a fresh diplomatic offensive in advance of a debate on the vexed Afghanistan issue at the United Nations this A flurry of diplomatic activity culminated in visits to India -- a close friend of the Soviet Union and a major voice in the Non-aligned movement -- by Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Nikolai Firyubin and Afghan Foreign Minister Shah Mohammad Dost.

Mr. Firyubin also went to Pakistan, a staunch opponent of the Soviet military presence in neighbouring Afghanistan and a proposed recipient of sophisticated military supplies from the United

of government meeting in Australia later this month. India is a respected and influential member while Pakistan may eventually seek to rejoin the grouping In November 1980, the U.N. assembly passed a resolution calling for the immediate withstrawal of foreign troops from Afghanistan. The resolution was carried by 111 votes to 22, with 12 abstentions.

Since then the Soviet presence has met with criticism at a number of international meetings, including an Islamic summit in Saudi Arabia last January, a Non-aligned foreign ministers meeting in New Delhi last February and at European Common Market meetings. Seeking to break the diplomatic deadlock, the European Common Market (EEC) came up with a proposal in June for a two-stage international conference on Afghanistan, and will try to get wider

support for this idea at the General Assembly. So far, the EEC proposal has been supported by Pakistan, Iran, the U.S. and China, but rebuffed by the Soviet Union and Afghanistan. After his talks in Kabul U.N. special envoy Javier Perez de Cuellar said the mood was encouraging and the next stage would be separate talks in New York this month between U.N. Secretary-General Kurt

Waldbeim and the foreign ministers of Afghanistan and Pakistan. However, President Zia-Ul-Haq said a few days later that Pakistan was sticking to its four-point proposal for a solution -- withdrawal of Soviet troops, restoration of Afghanistan's Islamic and Non-aligned status, an honourable and safe return of Afghan refugees and recognition of the Afghan people's right to have a government of their

choice. Then, late last month, the latest Soviet-Afghan diplomatic offensive began. Just a few hours after Mr. Firyubin touched down in Pakistan, Kabul radio announced a new offer saying it was ready for trilateral talks under the supervision of Mr. Waldheim or his rep-

resentative. The Soviet Union endorsed the new proposals as an "historic initiative that could provide a basis for peace and tranquility" in the region. But it stressed any future agreement would have to include guarantees that Pakistan and Iran would give no more aid to anti-

government Afghan guerrillas. -Mr. Fuyubin's talks apparently failed to shift Pakistan from its firm condemnation of the Soviet intervention although President Zia said the Afghan proposals showed "considerable flexibility."

"Flexibility" was also the word used by the Afghan Foreign Minis-